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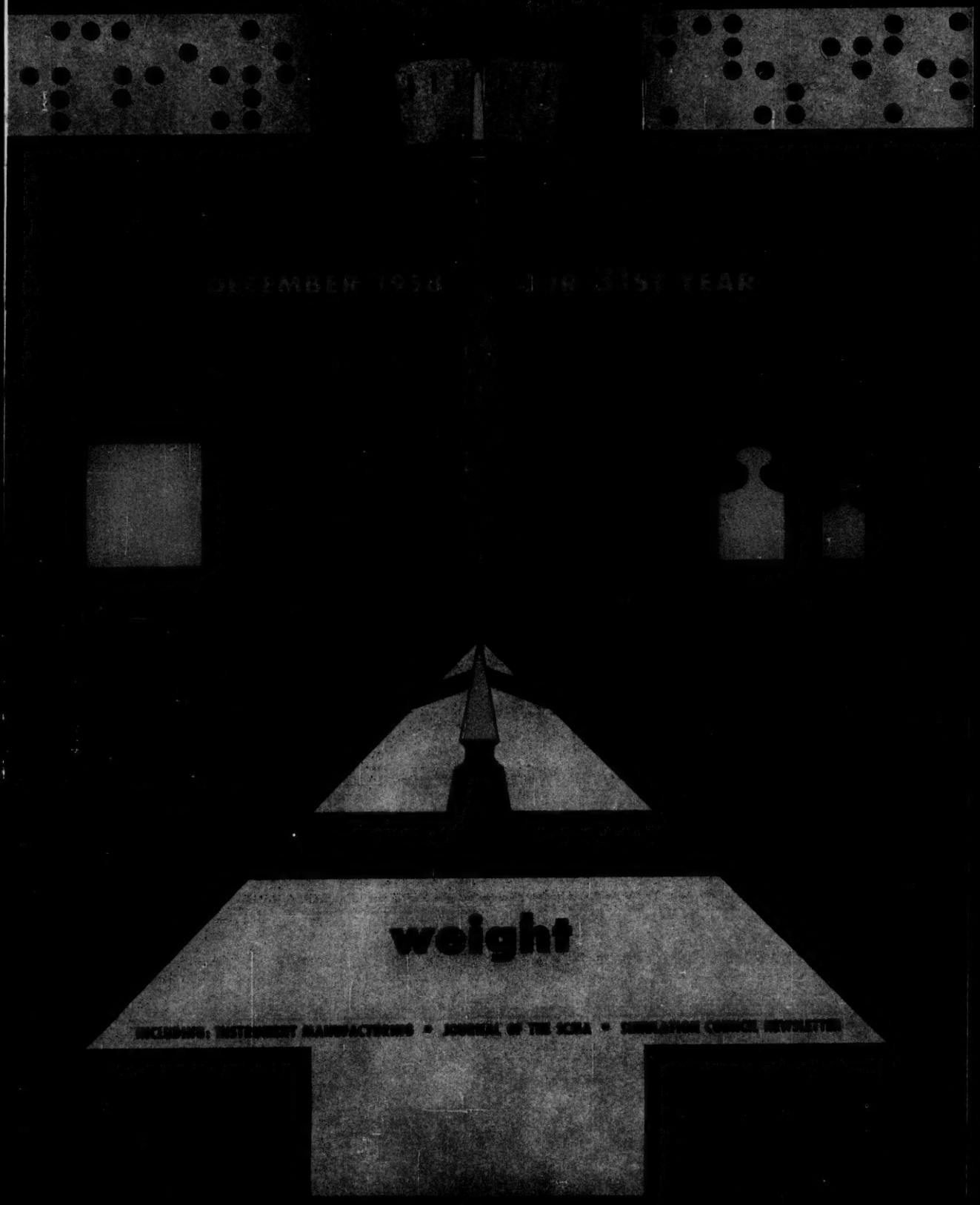

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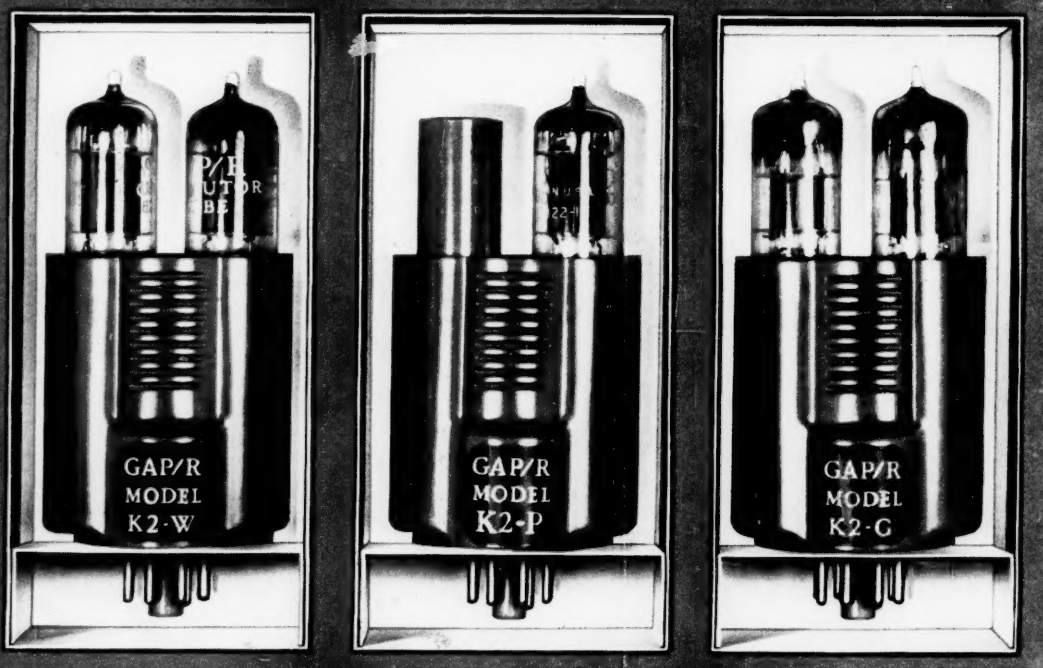

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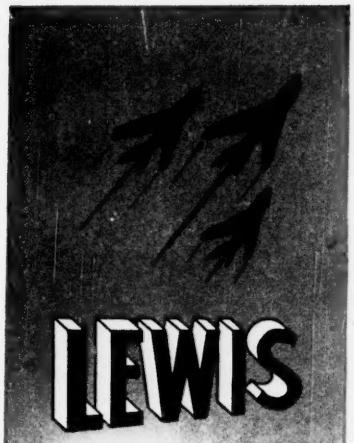

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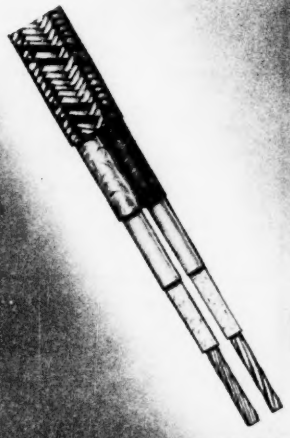

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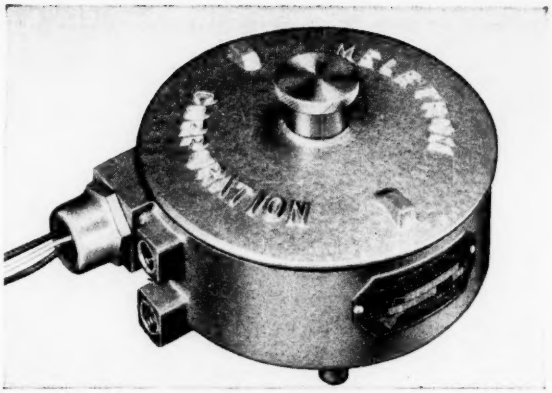

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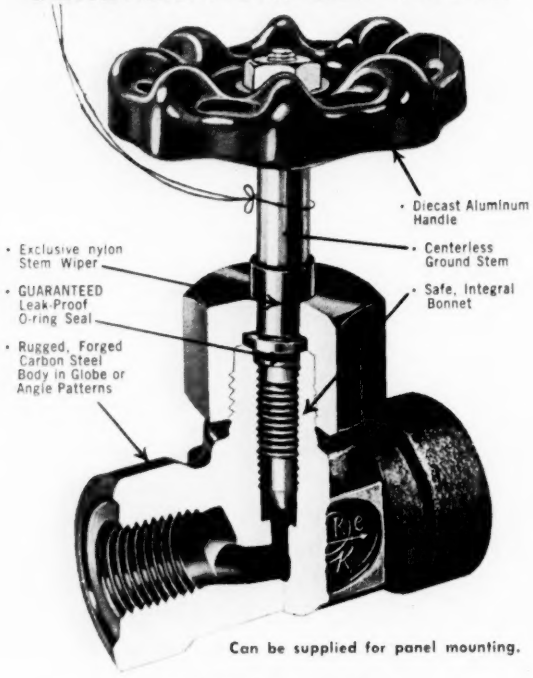
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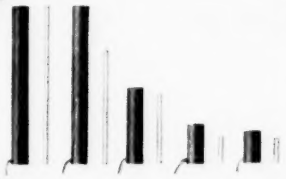

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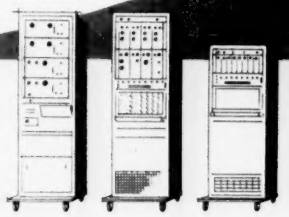

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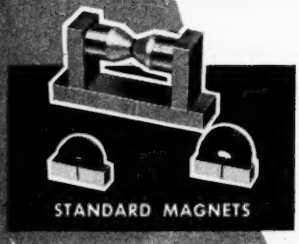

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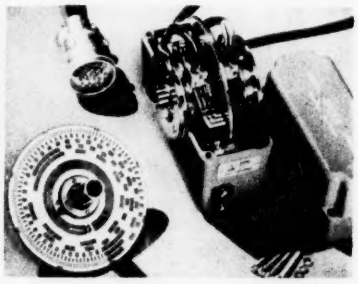
to the editor

Editor, I&A:

Your November issue on Math Tools covered many simple and basic devices and performed a needed service. One more should have been mentioned, however. The Shaft Position Encoder shown here is also a basic and simple math tool because the code can convert any dial position (which may be a number or a position of a shaft) into a sine, a cosine, a log of a cosine, etc.



One application of the Datex Shaft Position Encoder is in the generation of mathematical functions for use in special-purpose analog or digital computers. For example, a radar measures the position of a target in terms of elevation, azimuth, and slant range. To compute the height of the target it is necessary to multiply the slant range by the cosine of the elevation angle. An encoder attached to the elevation shaft of the antenna can produce a number indicating the cosine of the angle or the log of the cosine of the angle. An encoder attached to the range shaft can generate a number indicating range or the log of the range.

If a digital multiplier is available the numbers representing the cosine and the range may be multiplied. If the computer is not available the log of the cosine or elevation angle can be added automatically on a simple business type adding machine and a third encoder can be used to generate the number whose logarithm is equal to the sum computed by the adding machine. The shaft position of the third encoder will indicate the height of the target.

In a simple application, an encoder can be substituted as a simple look-up table as an aid in mathematic computation. For example, the operator may choose a dial by hand, indicating some known value. The encoder will operate a light bank which can indicate the sine, cosine, or some trigonometric function of the dial setting or can indicate the logarithm

of the number set in on the dial or may be completely arbitrary as, for example, the relationship between the moisture content of coal supplied to a furnace and the optimum operating point of the furnace.

Carl P. Spaulding, Pres
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This does indeed qualify the Encoder as a "Basic Math Tool."

Editor, I&A:

This acknowledges receipt of the book *Digital Techniques for Computation and Control*. The volume promises some interesting reading for days to come! The presence of Mr. Aronson's name among the authors interests me as I have found other of his works most useful sources of information and reference.

Allow me also to express continued satisfaction with my monthly copy of *Instruments and Automation*. I frequently find it of real value.

Raymond Branton
Calgary, Alberta

Editor, I&A:

Referring to the article "Derivative via Integration" in the September 1958 issue, is there an error in the diagram? The circuit as shown has positive feed-back and it appears that a sign changer (inverter) is needed in the feedback path of the high gain amplifier as shown.

James VanArtsdalen
Boeing Airplane Co.
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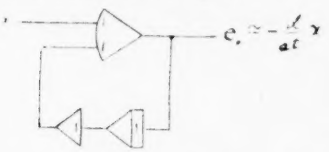
There is (see page 1753 of November issue and letter below). You analog men are on your toes!

Editor, I&A:

Regarding the article by Mr. Max Fogiel on "Analog Differentiation by Use of an Integrator", page 1525, *Instruments and Automation* for September, 1958:

The circuit shown is not practical because it is regenerative. In actual use it is necessary to interpose a sign changer (gain of -1 amplifier) between the integrator and the high-gain amplifier input. The proper circuit is shown in the figure:



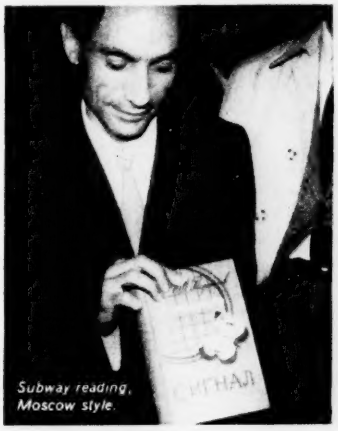
A useful extension of this circuit occurs if the feedback gain is other than unity. The following analysis

RAMBLINGS ON INSTRUMENTATION

The Mysterious East

(It's-a-Small-World Division)

(Mr. Sprague and beard have recently returned from a visit to the U.S.S.R. with the Automatic Control Delegation. Herewith, some ramblings from the borscht circuit.)



Subway reading, Moscow style.

The other day, when a group of us were on the way to the Hotel Ukraine via the Moscow subway, we ran into a serious type pouring over a volume 'midst the swaying bodies. Intrigued by his concentration, we asked through our interpreter, what he was reading. The reply: a book on Automatic Control and Cybernetics. Knowing that no one would believe us, we snapped the above photo.

Seriously, this incident symbolizes the intentness with which the Soviet appears to be focusing on the theory and application of instrumentation and control devices. It was my impression that their technology is moving rapidly and is not a "house of cards"; rather it is soundly based on rigorous training in theory and application, as well as continuing emphasis on the fundamental standards which are the cornerstone of all science.

While ours was but a fleeting (and Soviet-selected) glance at an enormous country, I got the impression that—borrowing heavily from German and American designs—the Russians have built an instrument and control industry which, with a few old Lend Lease exceptions, is supplying their plant requirements.

It would appear that the focus will continue to be on producing relatively standard instruments in large quantities to meet the tremendous demand created by their 5-year plans for rapid industrialization of the country. We were told that they anticipate the instrument and control industry to increase 2.8 times between 1956 and 1960.

But we got more than a hint of their relatively new interest in foreign markets. China, Czechoslovakia, India, Argentina and 26 other countries were mentioned. Using their hole cards of, (a) concentrating large volume production of a single item in a single plant and, therefore, achieving rapidly decreasing costs and, (b) arbitrary manipulation of their exchange rates, the U.S.S.R. can be expected to be a rugged competitor on the international automation scene very soon.

Should we shudder? *No*, but I do think we should supplement the drive or motivation (which has become rather jaded of late) toward conspicuous consumption of washers, dryers, TV sets, et al, with a more individual concern for the care and feeding of our human resources. Let's face it—this is a Brains Battle and we can work out solutions for the development—*our way*—of our people of talent only if we realize it is necessary.

And, on the international competition issue, let's do more of what comes naturally; i.e. continually obsoleting products by innovation and improvement . . . constantly posing "this model is better" choices for customers here and abroad, as (commercial plug) we are trying to do here at Hays with, for example, this year's new products: the Universal Recorder, the new 245 flow transmitter, the 913 BTU Recorder and a new approach to gas sampling systems. So let's over-estimate the competition and rediscover our greatness.

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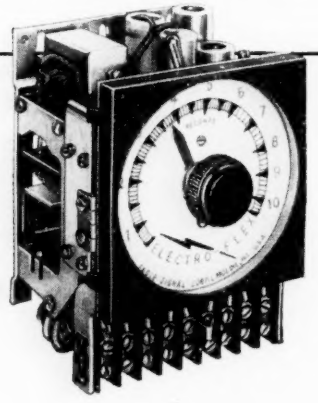

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Eagle's new Reset Timer employs only two moving parts (relay armatures), achieving precise short-interval timing through a dual range electronic circuit. Timing accuracy is maintained within 2% through line voltage variations from 90 to 130v. ambient temperature changes of 52°F. to 140°F., electronic tube replacements, and vibration up to 3g.

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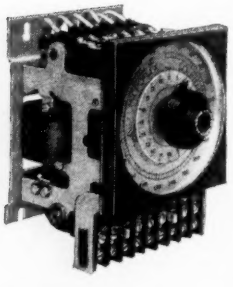

The Electroflex Timer, the Eagle Microflex Timer, synchronous motor driven for longer time intervals, and the Microflex Counter, (shown) all share the same large 4" dial, mounting dimensions, accessories and selection of enclosures to provide uniform appearance, simplify installations.

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then applies:

Let the non-feedback amplifier gain be: $-A$.

Let the over-all feedback gain be B, where $(0<B<<\infty)$. Then, using the derivative operator "P", we obtain:

$$e_o = -Ax - ABe_o/P$$
$$e_o[1 + AB/P] = -Ax$$
$$e_o = -Px/[B+P/A]$$

Allowing "A" to increase without limit, we obtain the limit of e_o as A approaches infinity:

$$\lim_{A\to\infty} e_o = -\left(\frac{1}{B}\right)Px,$$

which is the desired relationship.

This circuit has been tried and is everything which Mr. Fogiel has claimed.

D. W. Crockett
Computer Operations Group
Box 5035
Boeing Airplane Co.
Seattle, Wash.

Editor, I&A:

Thank you for the *Handbook of Measurement and Control. This* handbook has a wealth of common sense information that is not being fully used in the aircraft and missile industries.

I intend to make maximum use of it in my committee work.

L. A. Holcomb, Chairman
SCMA Instrumentation Committee
Convair
Pomona, Calif.

Editor, I&A:

I must express my regrets at the passing of your associate, Major Behar. I did not always agree with his ideas, but I always admired him as an authentic character—one of those who make the instrumentation (his word) industry so much fun.

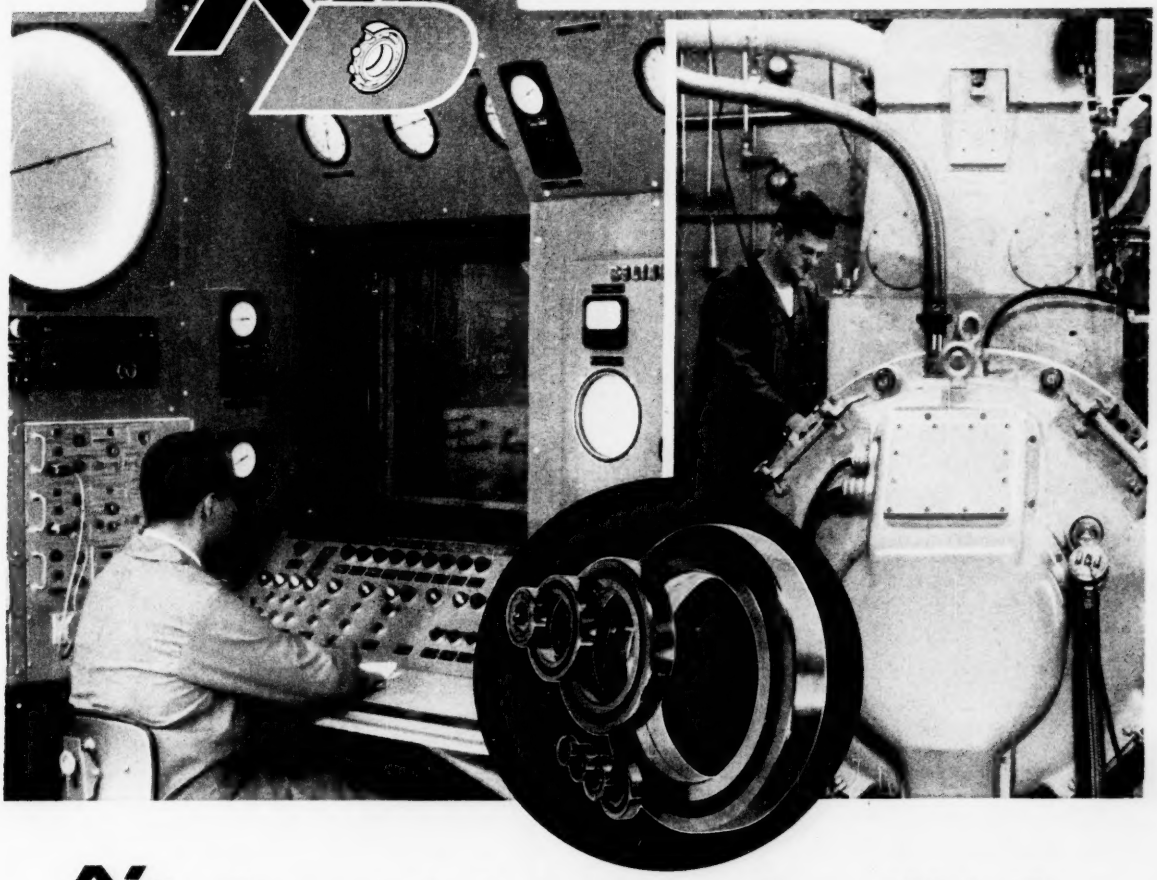
Karl W. Peterson
Trumbull, Conn.

Major Behar would have been thrilled to hear this acknowledgement of his invention of the word "instrumentation." It was one of his proudest achievements.

Editor, I&A:

I thought you might be interested to know of the reaction to my soldering article in the July issue of *I&A.* Attached is a letter requesting twelve copies of the article. Many others

CASE HISTORIES



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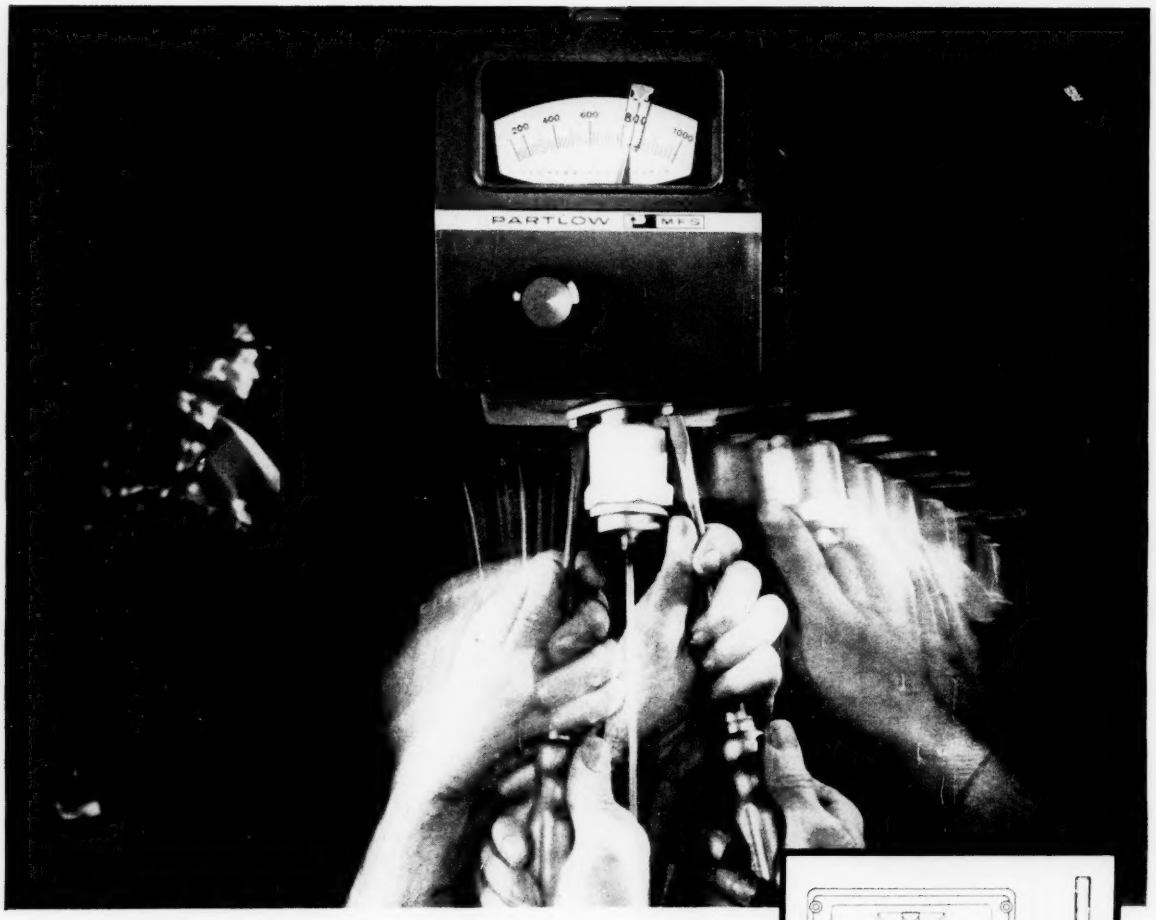

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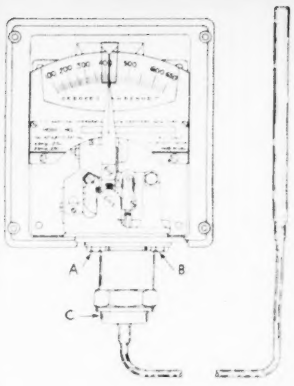

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wrote to me for reprints. Additionally, the EIA has requested that I present a paper at the December symposium on soldered connection reliability. This was also a direct result of the article, which was referenced in the request. Local engineering firms have also contacted me for additional information. This confirms my opinion that *I&A* is tops in reader coverage.

Alvin B. Kaufman
Los Angeles, Calif.

Editor, I&A:

May I extend to you my sincere thanks for your cooperation and help in locating for me a manufacturer of a latching type solenoid valve. Through the response to the article in your publication I have succeeded in locating a manufacturer of this unusual type of valve.

Our staff continues to find *Instruments and Automation* an enlightening and useful publication.

John T. Walser
North American Weather Consultants
Goleta, Calif.

Reader Inquiries

Pressure Scanner

Swedish importer of instruments requests bids on pressure scanners. A-352

CO_2 Controller

Engineer in Argentine Department of Industry wishes to receive bids on "transducers capable of converting CO_2 percent into pneumatic 3-15 psi signals." A-353

Chromel/Alumel Thermocouples

Engineer in Portugal wishes to learn the exact composition of Chromel and Alumel as used in standard thermocouples. A-354

Barometric Pickup Humidity Indicator

College Department Head seeks information on a barometric pickup; also on a humidity indicator for weather prediction. A-355

Distillation Equipment

Exporter seeks Lemongrass Distillation Equipment for an approximate capacity of 50 kilograms (110 lb). A-356

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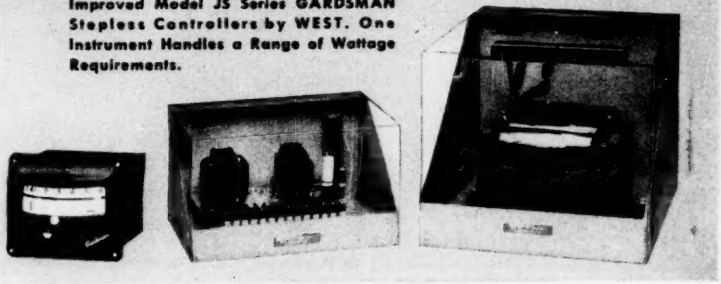

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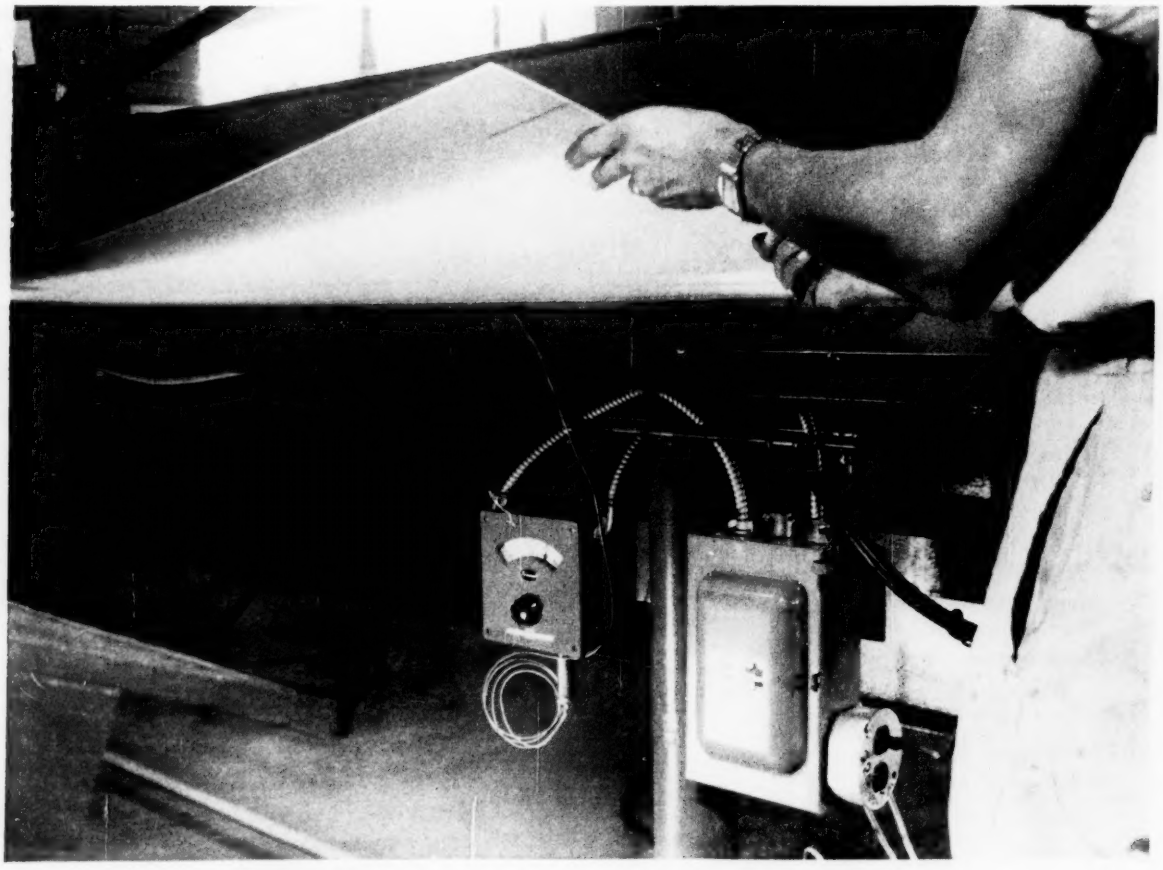

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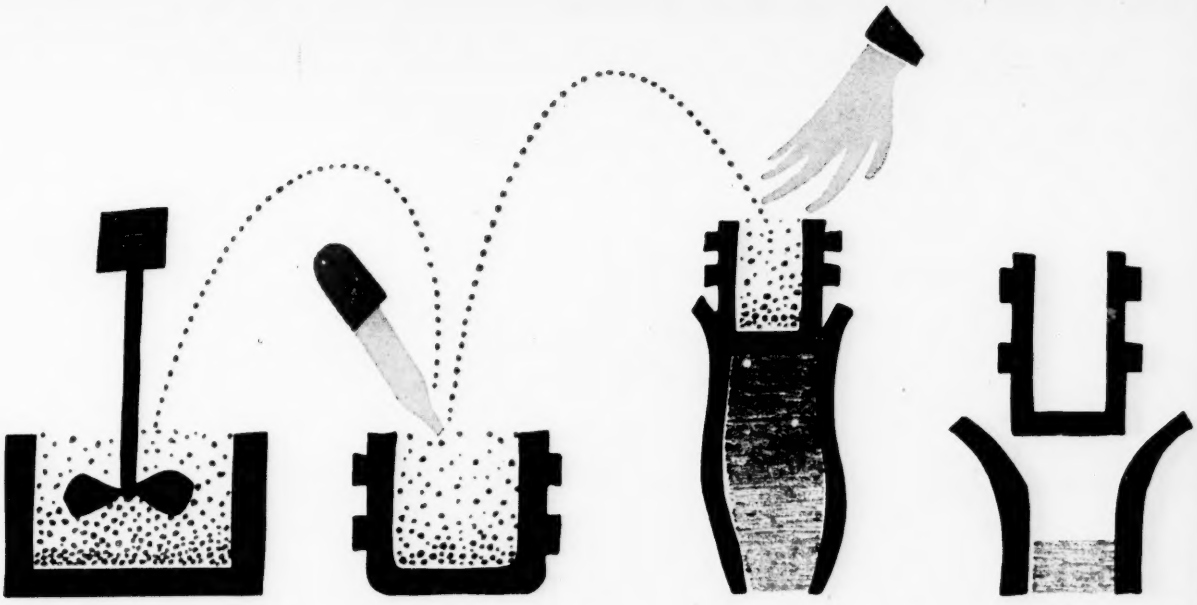
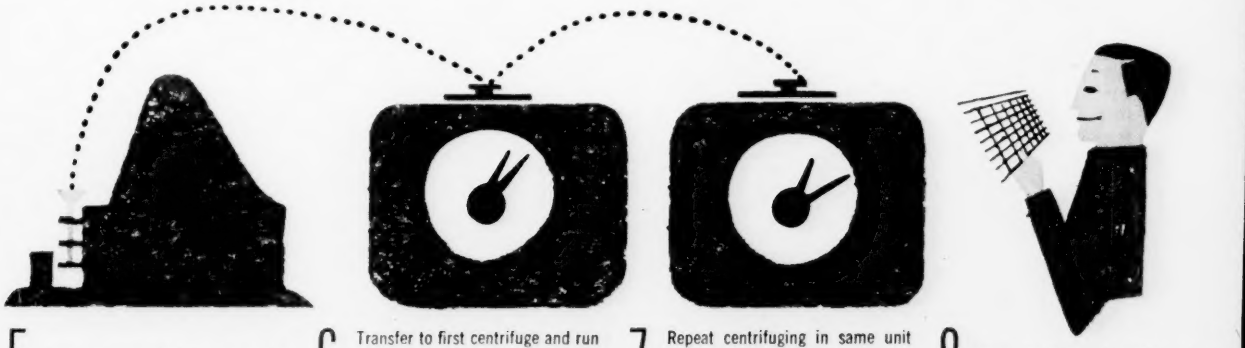


1. Prepare suspension of particles.
2. Transfer suspension to feeding chamber.
3. Transfer feeding chamber to centrifuge tube.
4. Remove feeding chamber, leaving sharp layer of suspension on top of sedimentation liquid.



5. Read sediment height under gravity in projector at precalculated times.
6. Transfer to first centrifuge and run for precalculated time, then remove and read in projector.
7. Repeat centrifuging in same unit or in higher speed centrifuges until run is complete.
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trends

Data storage and retrieval is growing new field. International Conference on Scientific Information (Washington, D. C., Nov. 16-21) has international significance.

British Flack Committee White Paper on evaluation of the Windscale piles, including accidental release of Wigner energy, recommends "substantial increase in the number of instruments . . . particularly for the purpose of measuring the temperature in the graphite and fuel. Apparatus for the detection of fuel element failures must be available at all times."

Transistor trends: In 1957, 40 semiconductor makers sold more than 30 million units for more than $70 million, reports M. Shepherd, Jr., of TI, who predicts that market will exceed 500 million units in 1965. Dr. Teal of TI predicts that transistor sales in 1960 will reach $250 million.

Technical house organ trend: Discontinued publication of one of nation's top house organs (GE REVIEW) shows that even large companies are watching efficiency of expenditures. Large number of technical trade publications has reduced impact of house organs, causing management to take much-needed look at (1) returns (sales leads) for advertising dollar spent, including house organ, and (2) quality of journal as established by customer surveys (not opinion of agency or company engineer).

Air passengers will number 55 million in 1960; 70 million in 1970, forecasts CAA.

Capital outlays by manufacturer should climb from a rate of $9.5 billion in the third quarter of this year to $13.5 billion by the second quarter of 1961, predicts Fortune magazine. The energy industries—oil, gas, coal, electric utilities—should increase their spending from a low of about $11 billion last spring to $14.5 billion by the middle of 1961. Their previous peak rate was $13 billion in the third quarter of 1957. Such capital outlays would expand instrument market.

Computer installations that "fell short of hopes" are reported by J. Diebold to be 33% for large-scale computers, 44% for medium-scale computers, and 54% for small-scale computers.

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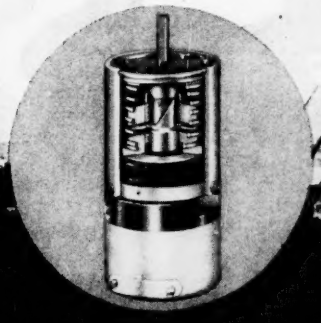

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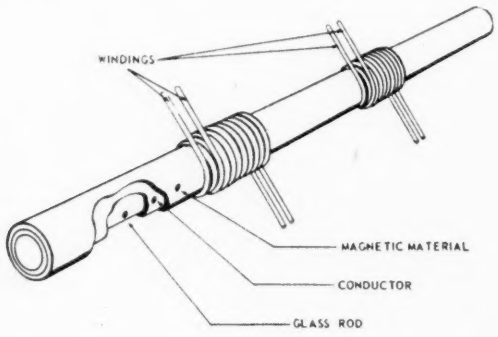
Computers will Think Faster

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—A magnetic device the size of a pin, developed by the National Cash Register Company's Electronics Division, promises to increase the "thinking" speed of future electronic computers 10 to 20 times.



The device, a glass rod, 0.015" in dia. with a magnetic coating and small windings of wire around the rod, serves as both a switching and information storage element. Top speed of the device is yet unknown. However, research models have exhibited switching speeds as fast as 4 millimicroseconds. The rod element can be used both in word-ordered and coincident-current memory circuits. Only 0.020 of a watt is required to store a "bit" of information on the rod. A rod-memory system the size of a cigarette pack could store 8000 bits of information.

Alfred A. Markson

Alfred A. Markson, assistant vice president of Hagan Chemicals and Controls, Inc., died November 23, 1958. He was 54 years old. A 1924 engineering graduate of Rensselear Polytechnic Institute, he had been with Hagan as a consulting engineer since 1942. In 1955 he was appointed assistant vice president.

Mr. Markson was the author of many technical papers, a recent one being "Introduction to Reactor Physics" in April 1958 *I&A*. He had recently specialized in studies dealing with nucleonics. Before the advent of nucleonics he had been influential in the development of steam generating equipment, having been a research engineer at Consolidated Edison Electric Co. from 1936 to 1942 and a steam station design engineer at the New York Steam Corporation from 1924 to 1936.

A registered professional engineer in Pennsylvania and New York, Mr. Markson was active in the ASME and the ISA. Al Markson's death means the loss of a fine, kind and capable gentleman to our industry and our nation.

Automatic Soap-Batching System in Synthetic Rubber Production

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—In the making of synthetic rubber at the Phillips Chemical Company copolymer plant, Borger, Texas, automatic control of the concentration of a soap solution was achieved by consistent weighing to an accuracy of ±0.10%. The system uses Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton SR-4 load cells and allied control equipment. The reaction that produces the rubber occurs in an emulsion formed by agitating the two monomers in a solution of water and soap.

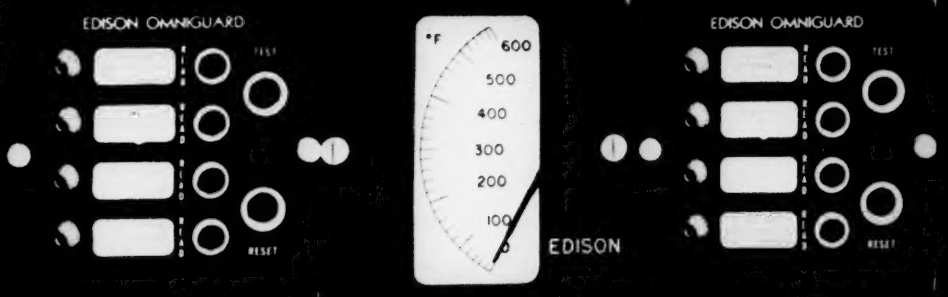
The operation of the B-L-H automatic sequence controller is composed of eleven phases. All of these phases are accomplished in a single mixing tank that is supported by four B-L-H SR-4 load cells. The operation is regulated and recorded by a B-L-H batch controller contained in a console located 50 feet from the operation. A continuous strip recorder in the console charts all weights and time periods in the process. A unique feature of the system is that the controller re-zeroes itself prior to each addition of a new ingredient.

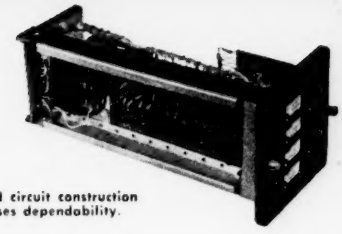
At the end of each phase a deviation recorder tells the operator whether the ingredient added was over or under weight. The operator can correct these deviations by placing the sequence controller in manual operation and adding the necessary ingredients semi-automatically.

Philadelphia's Water System Gets Electronic Load-Control Center

SYRACUSE, N. Y.—Microwave engineers of the General Electric Communication Products Department are working on final plans for a unique electronic push-button control system for the Philadelphia Water Department.

The $432,000 contract provides for eight stations which will furnish the communications link permitting the load control center to collect information from 92 points in the city where measurements are made on reservoir levels,





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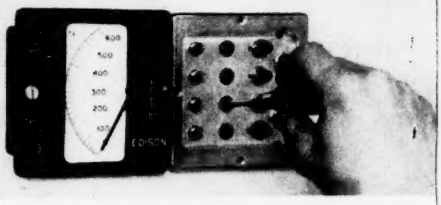

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Adjustments	factory calibrated at mid-point of the 5.0 psia adjustable range specified
Differential	factory set anywhere within limits of 1.5 to 5.0 psia
Repeat Accuracy	0.1 psia between —65° F to 160° F, altitude to 60,000 feet, 100% relative humidity
Switch Ratings	4 amps with non-inductive load of 28 volts D.C. or 10 amps at 115 volts A.C.
Switch Types	single-pole, single-throw, snap-acting class R—NC—opens on decreasing pressures class G—NO—closes on decreasing pressures
Electrical Connections	solder terminals on face of control can be pivoted and soldered in any position
Mounting	$\frac{1}{8}$" NPT, male thread to pressure source
Weight	approx. 5 ounces
Size	$3\frac{5}{32}$" x $2\frac{11}{32}$" x $1\frac{3}{32}$"
Applications	pressuring pumps on air-borne, mobile, or other equipment also in pressurized coaxial cables, in ground radar, and in maintaining frequency bands

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NEWS—CONTINUED

water pressure, and the flow of water through municipal lines.

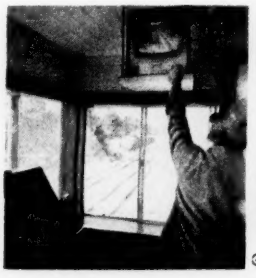
Electronic pulses from each of the 92 points will be telemetered continuously and sent via microwave to the control center. There, a data logger will convert the pulses to digital information.

A logging printer will permit automatic transfer of coded information to a typewriter in numerical form for the department's permanent record.

The recorded digital information will give the Water Department valuable statistics for analytical purposes. With the data, the Department expects to attain greater efficiency in taking care of the city's water consumption needs.

INTERNATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOLS have added a new text, *Components and Circuits in Electronic Data-Processing Machines* to the curriculum. Prepared by Mr. Julius Breczinski, Electronic Training Coordinator, Plymouth Div., Burroughs Corp., the new text is intended primarily for technicians now working on mechanical business machines who will switch over to electronic machines.

GENERAL ELECTRIC has installed a closed-circuit television monitor which gives the railroad crossing tender a mirror-sharp picture of switching engines approaching the main line from an industrial spur track (middle of monitor screen) a half mile away. The camera is enclosed in a bullet-proof housing, and is equipped with windshield washer, wipers and a defrosting mechanism.



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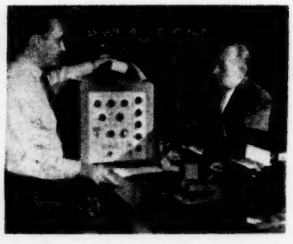


DETECTO Computer

DETECTO SCALES has developed an automatic Baggage Computer which in six seconds records weight of airplane passenger's baggage, deducts free weight allowance, shows the amount of over-weight, and computes the charge for excess poundage according to passengers' destination.

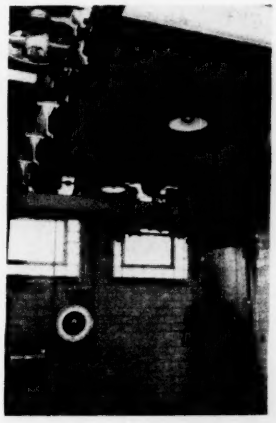
FISCHER & PORTER CO's. Digital Multiple Pressure Measurement System utilizes 800 feet of Nylaflow polyamide pressure tubing (supplied by The Polymer Corp.) with a savings of 50% in installation over copper tubing.

LEACH CORP. has built an industry-wide Production Reliability Center that will expose components and systems off the production line to stresses far beyond any they will encounter in space.

LICA, the newly formed Long Island Computer Association, held its first meeting in Garden City, October 14. Mark I, Whirlwind (with interpretative-type coding procedures for programming) and Univac were demonstrated; and the recently announced method of automatic programming, Flow-Matic, was explained.

LOOK TO TOLEDO for Progress in the World of Weighing

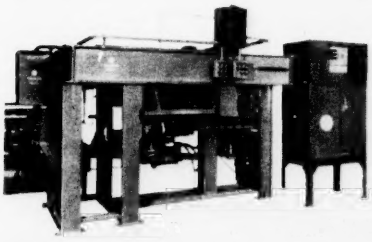
MULTI-SCAN FOR WEIGHING ITEMS IN MOTION



For items moving on overhead tracks (hog carcasses, for example) Toledo Multi-Scan system provides accurate average weights without necessity of bringing the swaying carcasses to rest. Weight data is fed into remotely located adding or other office machines for listing and totalizing of weights. Identifying data may also be introduced through key input stations.

AUTOMATIC BATCHING SYSTEMS

"Remocon" controls feature remote setting for fully automatic operation. Simple dial knob adjustments control quantities of each ingredient, allow precise duplication of batches. Extremely flexible — use with a single scale or multiple scale batching system.



PRODUCT TESTING AND CLASSIFYING

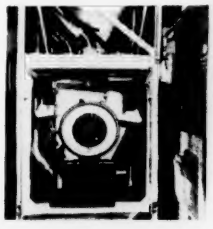
This custom-engineered Toledo automatically tests and classifies large coil springs. It is one of many types of Toledos used for classifying a wide range of items — from small packages to large cartons and production parts — in a variety of manufacturing operations.

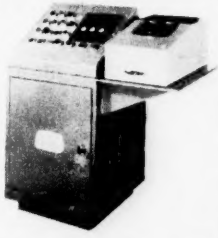
Check These Specialized Jobs TOLEDOS Are Doing

When you have a problem in weighing, testing, counting, batching, sorting or weight data processing . . . and you want the practical, economical answer . . . it will pay you to check with Toledo. Toledo's complete line of industrial scales provides today's effective answer for a wide range of needs; or for special applications, Toledo Scale engineers will work with you on modifications or completely custom-engineered units. Toledo's huge reservoir of experience is your assurance of a practical, cost-saving solution. Let us help you. Write TOLEDO SCALE, Division of Toledo Scale Corporation, Toledo 12, Ohio.

TOLEDO® HEADQUARTERS FOR WEIGHING SYSTEMS

AUTOMATIC BULK WEIGHING





Toledos provide accurate, net weight listing and totals of bulk materials going into truck or carload shipments. Weighing is automatic. A Toledo weight-control console with automatic recording and totalizing unit may be remotely located for operating convenience.

ELECTRONIC AND HYDRONIC SCALES

Toledo Electronic Scale heads may be remotely located wherever convenient, because there are no mechanical connections. Toledo offers full electronic scales, also combinations with hydraulic or mechanical components to meet a wide range of requirements. For specific applications, digital indication of parts counts may be provided electronically.

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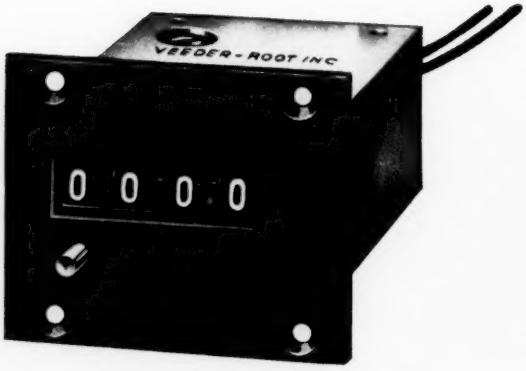

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Method of Counting: Actuated through electromagnets, these counters can be connected in series with any device having a contact arrangement. For optimum operation, 60% contact time is necessary.

Reset: Manual or electrical. Manual reset is accomplished by depressing the reset button extending through the front panel. Electrical reset is accomplished by energizing the resetting coil momentarily.

Size of Figures: .188" high.

Color of Figures: White on black.

Number of Figures: 4 or 6.

Speed: 3000 counts per minute is the maximum recommended.

Watt Consumption: Operating coil — 6 watts, reset coil — 15 watts.

Operating Voltage: 6, 12, 24, 48 & 115 volts DC are standard. For operation on AC power, suitable electrical components must be added externally to the counter.

Reset Voltage: 6, 12, 24, 48 & 115 volts DC are standard.

Voltage Variation Permissible: 10%, but not more than 10 volts.

Temperature Rise: 140°F under normal operating conditions when coils are left energized for long periods of time.

Lubrication: After every 30-million counts, lubricate per Veeder-Root service instructions V-78116-1.

Finish: Die-cast frame, with aluminum covers. Panel Plate dull instrument black.

NOTE: Any change in any of these Standard Specifications (above) makes the counter a Non-Standard item, produced to order only.

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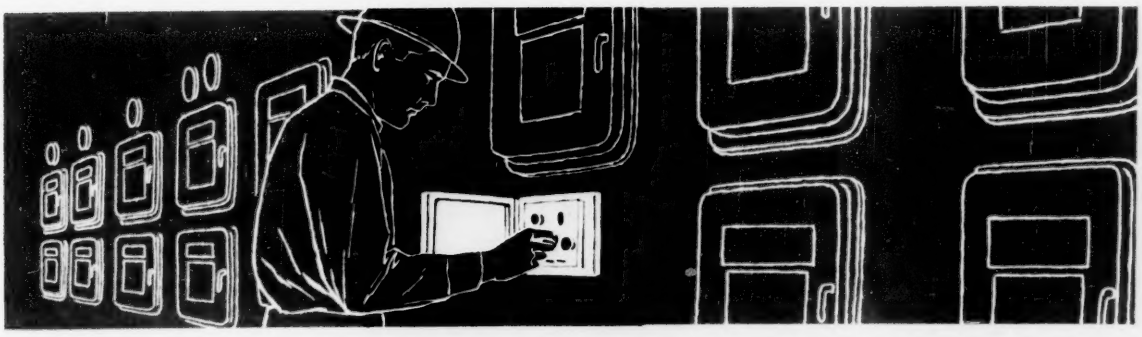
Here's the ***heart*** *of your process control center...*

CEC's process chromatograph



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- Chlorine Production
- Flue Gas Analysis
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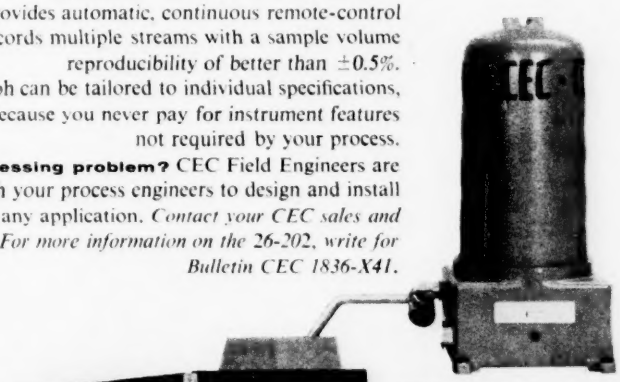
- Polymerization
- Catalytic Cracking
- Isomerization



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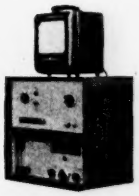

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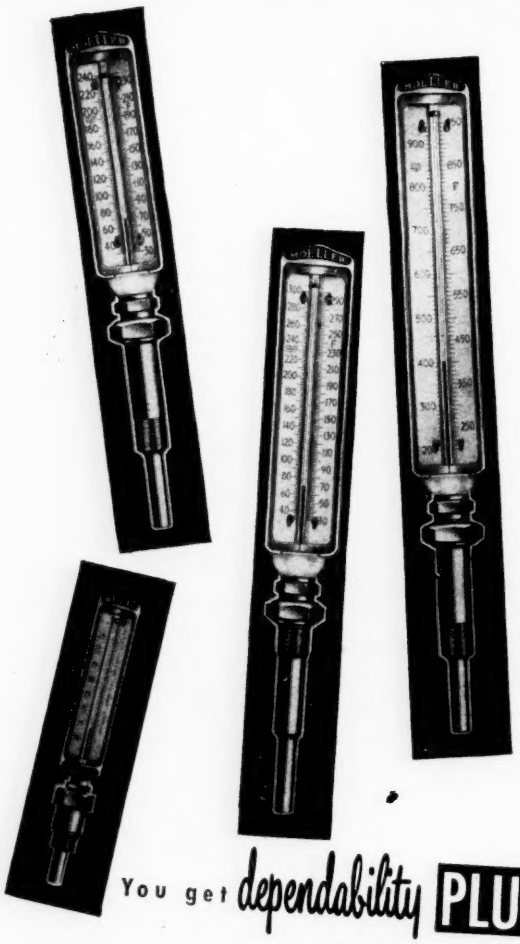

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American Stock Exchange:

AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE
Price Range For 1956 Thru Nov. 16, 1956

	HIGH	LOW	Price as of 11/16/56
American Meter	39 1/2	27 3/8	37 1/8
Arc Equipment	21 1/2	13 3/4	22
Barry Controls B	10 1/8	4 3/8	7 7/8-10 3/8 (1)
Beloca Instruments	11 3/4	7 3/8	10 1/8
Benrus Watch	7	4 7/8	6
Breeze Corp.	7 1/8	5 1/8	6 7/8
Clark Controller	24	15 7/8	19 3/4
Clarostat Mfg.	4 3/8	2 3/8	3 3/4
Clary Corp.	5	2 7/8	4 1/8
DuMont Laboratories	5 5/8	3	4 7/8
Dynamics Corp. of America	5 3/8	2 7/8	4 5/8
Electronics Corp. of America	12 7/8	6 3/8	11 3/4
El-Tronics	3 3/4	1 5/8	2 1/4
Fairchild Camera & Instrument	48	19 1/2	44 7/8
Globe-Union	20 1/4	14 5/8	19 1/4
Gyrolitics Corp.	52 3/8	30 1/2	52
International Resistance	5 7/8	3 3/4	5 1/2
Lear, Inc.	8	4 1/4	7 1/8
National Research	17 3/8	12 7/8	15 1/2
Neptune Meter	31	19 1/2	29
New Haven Clock	3 1/4	7/8	1 1/8
Nuclear Corp. of America	1 1/2	7/8	1 1/8
Pneumatic Scale	35	18 1/2	31 - 33 (1)
Servo Corp.of America	15 3/8	3 3/4	14 5/8
Servomechanisms	11 1/8	6 5/8	9 3/8
Wallace & Tiernan	40 3/4	24	39 7/8
Waltham Prec. Instrument Co.	1 1/2	13/16	1

(1) Not Traded - Bid and Asked

New York Stock Exchange:

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE
Price Range For 1956 Thru Nov. 16, 1956

	HIGH	LOW	Price as of 11/16/56
ACF Industries	45 5/8	34 1/8	38
Aerovox Corp.	25 3/4	16 7/8	25
Allis Chalmers	29 3/4	22 1/8	28 3/8
American Chain & Cable	52	39 1/2	49
American Machine &Foundry	59 3/4	32 1/4	55
American Machine & Metals	70	47 1/2	69 1/2
American Optical	40 5/8	34 1/4	40 1/8
American Tel. & Tel.	200	167 7/8	200 1/4
Beckman Instruments	59 1/4	28 1/8	51 1/2
Bell & Howell	74 7/8	42	73 3/4
Bendix Aviation	66 1/4	44 1/2	65 1/4
Boeing Airplane	58 1/8	34 1/8	52 1/2
Bullard	28 1/2	10	26 3/8
Bulova Watch	14	9 3/4	13 1/8
Burroughs	40 1/2	27 5/8	37 3/4
Carborundum	39 3/8	30 7/8	38 1/2
Cincinnati Milling Machine	44 1/2	27	38
Clevite	24 1/2	15 3/4	23 3/8
Columbia Broadcasting A	41 1/2	24 1/2	39 1/4
Consolidated Electrodynamics	39	27 7/8	33 3/8
Consolidated Electronics	33 1/2	19 1/2	32 5/8
Cornel Dubilier	21 1/2	12 3/4	20 3/4
Corning Glass	95	74 5/8	88 3/4
Curtiss-Wright	31 1/2	20 7/8	27 1/2
Cutler-Hammer	63 1/2	40 1/2	61
Daystron	19 1/4	10	13 3/8
Douglas Aircraft	74 7/8	54 1/2	58 1/8
Eastman Kodak	144 1/2	97 1/8	133 7/8
Eaton Manufacturing	59	38 1/2	56 7/8
Electric Auto Lite	66	44	58 3/8
Elgin Watch	10 1/4	7 3/4	9 3/4
Emerson Electric	52 3/8	29	51
Food Machinery & Chemical	79	47 1/2	77
Gamewell	32 1/8	20 1/2	28 3/8
Garrett	44 1/2	2	42 1/8
General Controls	23 7/8	14	23 5/8
General Dynamics	56 5/8	35	54 5/8
General Electric	70 3/4	51	70 1/8
General Instrument	20 1/8	14 1/8	18 5/8
General Mills	85 7/8	60 1/4	82
General Precision Equipment	41	21	32 1/4
General Railway Signal	36	21 1/8	35
General Telephone	57 1/2	40 3/8	57 3/8
General Time	26 7/8	16 5/8	26 3/4
General Tire & Rubber	37 3/4	22 1/4	37 3/8
International Business Machines	454 1/2	300	448
International Tel. & Tel.	57 1/2	29 1/4	55 7/8
ITE Circuit Breaker	42 3/8	24 1/4	35 5/8
Litton Industries	83	36 7/8	81 1/8
Lockheed Aircraft	62 3/4	38 3/8	60
Magnavox	51 3/4	30 1/4	51
Mallory	34 5/8	23 5/8	32 1/8
Minneapolis-Honeywell	111	76	109
Minneapolis Mining & Mfg.	104	73 1/2	103 3/4
Motorola	54 1/4	35	54 1/4
National Acme	59 1/4	43 7/8	51
National Cash Register	76 3/4	50 1/2	72 1/4
North American Aviation	38 1/4	25 5/8	38 1/4
Northrop Aircraft	31 1/8	22 1/8	30 1/2
Otis Elevator	67 1/4	40 1/4	63 1/2

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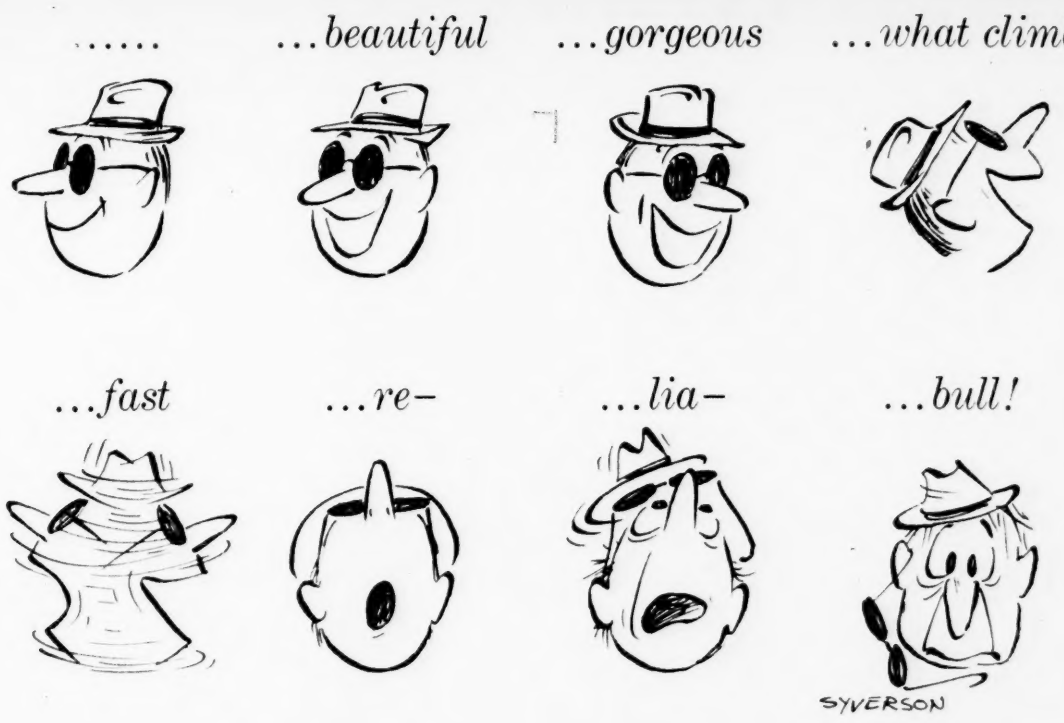

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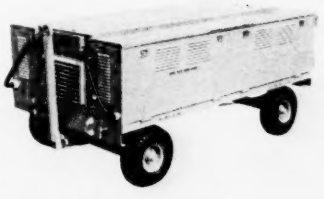

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Philco Corp.	24 1/8	12 3/8	22 7/8
Radio Corp. of America	42 3/8	30 1/4	41 1/4
Raytheon Mfg.	57 1/4	21 1/2	53 1/8
Reliance Electric	50 1/4	31	49 5/8
Rheem Mfg.	17 1/2	10 1/2	17 1/2
Robertshaw-Fulton	32 1/8	22 1/4	31 1/8
Royal McBee	25 1/4	15	23 3/4
Sangamo Electric	34 3/4	25	30 1/4
Sperry Rand	24 3/4	17 1/4	24 1/8
Square D	28 5/8	20 1/8	27 5/8
Standard Coil Products	14 1/4	6	14 3/8
Starrett (L.S.)	74 3/4	57	63 1/2
Stewart-Warner	45 1/4	29	44 1/8
Sylvania Electric	37 7/8	31 1/2	34 7/8
Telautograph	9 7/8	3 3/4	9
Texas Instruments	64 7/8	26 3/4	64 7/8
Thompson Ramo-Wooldridge	64 7/8	41 1/8	64 7/8
Thug-Sol Electric	32 1/4	23 1/4	30 5/8
Underwood Corp.	20	12 7/8	19
Union Carbide Corp.	120 1/4	83 7/8	119 1/2
United Shoe Machinery	47 5/8	32	43 5/8
Western Union	16 1/2	15	16 1/2
Westinghouse Air Brake	29 3/4	17 7/8	26 5/8
Westinghouse Electric	55 7/8	33 1/2	54 1/8
Worthington Corp.	48 1/4	41 1/4	47 1/2

Over-The-Counter

OVER-THE-COUNTER

QUOTATIONS AS OF 11/16/56

	BID	ASKED
Aerovox Corp.	5 1/2	6
Aircraft Radio Corp.	26 1/2	30
Argus Corp.	29	29 3/4
Bitel-McCullough	29 1/2	30 1/2
Electronics Associates	43	44 3/4
Erie Resistor Corp.	4 1/4	5 3/4
Fisher Governor Company	15 7/8	16 5/8
Foxboro Company	40	41 1/4
G. M. Giannini	24 1/2	26 1/2
Industro Transistor	2 5/8	3
Liquidometer Corp.	6 3/8	7
W. L. Maxson	7 1/2	8 7/8
Penn Controls, Inc.	17 1/2	18 1/2
Speer Carbon, Inc.	29 3/4	30 3/4
Sprague Electric	32 3/4	34
Taylor Instruments	31 3/4	33
Telecomputing Corp.	6 1/2	7
Topp Industries	11 3/8	12
Varian Associates	15 1/4	16 3/4
Vitro Corp. of America	14 3/4	15 1/2

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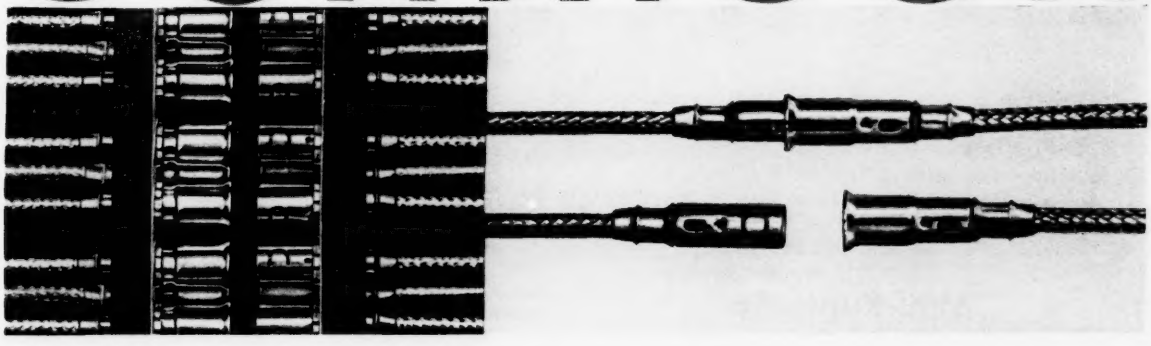

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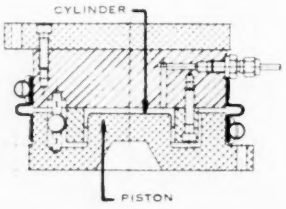
Hydraulic Weighing

The basic principle of all Emery Hydraulic Weighing Systems is that of converting force into hydraulic pressure. This pressure is directly proportional to applied load and it can be transmitted to proper instrumentation to give indication, recording, printing or control.



To best describe the action of an Emery Hydraulic Cell, we refer to the well-known piston-cylinder action because in effect, an Emery Hydraulic Cell is a piston-cylinder assembly.

In any piston-cylinder there are three factors which must be controlled to insure accuracy: (a) leakage (b) friction and (c) acting area.

The acting area of the Way-pac Cell is always the same due to the ingenious molded diaphragm which is used as a pressure seal.—(*From new* 16-*page Bulletin*, 582 *The A. H. Emery Co., New Canaan, Conn.*)

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"Mini-Rapid 16" Automatic Processor

With the "Mini-Rapid 16" you can start to read film information just seven or eight minutes away from the shooting . . . you can shoot up to four hundred feet of film, drop it in the feed compartment of the Mini-Rapid 16—and see it come out, dry, (ready to show)—at the rate of 6 feet per minute . . . The negative, or release print is developed, fixed, rinsed, washed and dried automatically. You can process strips as short of two feet, or lengths up to 100 feet with one chemical loading . . . (*From new* 4-*page bulletin, Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corp., Industrial Camera Div., ±5 Aerial Way, Syosset, L. I., N. Y.*)

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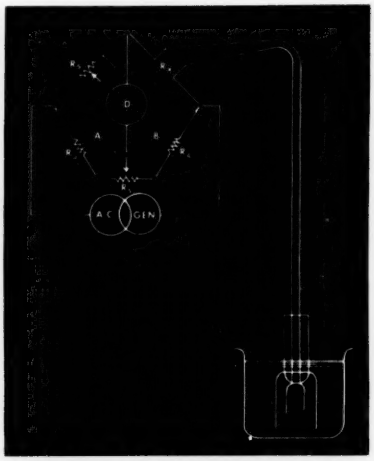
Solution Conductivity Measurement

The determination of conductivity consists of measuring the resistance of a column of solution. Alternating current is almost universally used in order to avoid changes in the composition of the solution adjacent to the electrodes, which effect comes under the general name of polarization. Although other measuring systems are in use, the a-c Wheatstone Bridge is most widely used at present and is potentially the most sensitive, stable and accurate. A typical system consists of three elements: an a-c Wheatstone bridge circuit, a primary element or conductivity cell, and a null indicator with or without a rebalancing mechanism.

Such a system is shown in Fig. 1. D represents an a-c voltage-sensitive device as an a-c. galvanometer, earphone, cathode-ray oscilloscope, or an electron ray "tuning eye" tube. The a-c source may be a low voltage tap on a 60 cycle transformer, a vacuum tube or



transistor oscillator for higher frequencies, a dry cell operated vibrator, etc. The voltage varies among instruments of differing degrees of accuracy and sensitivity from several millivolts to as much as 50 volts. The frequency of the bridge current is commonly 60 and more rarely 1000 cps. For measurements on high resistance electrolytes, such as demineralized water and steam condensate, the lower bridge source frequency is preferable. For measurements in highly conductive solutions, higher bridge frequencies are advantageous.—(*From new* 30-*page Catalog* 23, *Industrial Instruments Inc., 89 Commerce Rd., Cedar Grove, N. J.*)

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Digitrol Building Blocks

This circuit uses standard "DIGITROL" components to establish a time base proportional to an analog voltage input V. The digitized servo output is used to preset a bank of decade counters. Since these counters

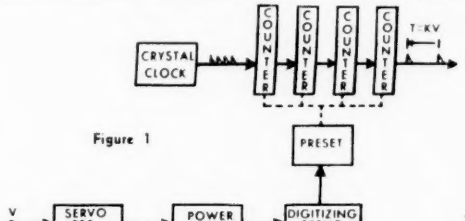

Figure 1

are being fed pulses from the crystal clock at a uniform rate, the time from the beginning to the end of the counting operation is proportional to the preset quantity, and that in turn proportional to input voltage V.—(*From new* 4-*page bulletin Electro Precision Corp., P. O. Box* 669, *Arkadelphia, Ark.*)

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Versatile stop clock measures to 1/100 second

Today's product designer, control systems engineer, nuclear physicist, and graphic panel manufacturer have a common need—an instrument capable of measuring elapsed time to a hundredth of a second, with an accuracy better than 0.02 of 1%.

Wide field—wide requirements

But there the sameness ends—the nuclear physicist needs a hermetically sealed device for remote control; the product designer requires load switches and local pushbutton reset; the graphic panel man wants smart appearance. The lab technician wants a portable model. The military asks for the smallest unit consistent with reliable readings, while the sports event timekeeper must have a large dial.

How can you meet these diverse requirements? Well, here's the answer to that question—a product of Cramer's experience and knowledge of precision timing.

Accuracy for everybody

You select a small, powerful and inherently accurate drive motor, add a 110-tooth positive clutch and apply it on the high-speed shaft. Back it up with a potent relay. When the signal comes, the unit responds instantly, and we have *accuracy*.

All-electric operation for flexibility

Add heart cams on the mainshaft and a rugged solenoid to belt them home within 1/10 second after the reset switch is operated. Now we have *electrical reset*, either remote or local.

For *versatility*, provide for load switches with cams on fast or slow pointer shafts. Cut and set at the factory, cams will offer a variable number (and duration) of pulses per second or minute, or with load switches wired in series, the unit can be used as a highly precise time delay relay or interval timer.

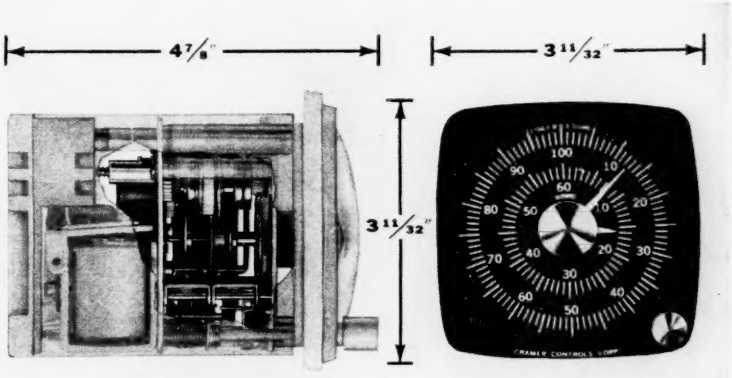
Commercial or Mil-Spec housings

Now let's enclose the mechanism. Commercial housing is dust-tight and has a 12-place terminal block. Also developed: a militarized model to withstand high vibration, shock and severe environments. A deep-drawn solder-sealed enclosure with 14-pin glass-beaded header, evacuated and hermetically sealed will do it.

Dials, pointers — Loewy styled

What's left? The business end of things — dial and pointers. Let's tackle this for readability, and at the same time, shoot for eye-appeal. This time we'll go to the *styling* experts — famous industrial designers, Raymond Loewy Associates. They come up with the last word in human-engineered dial-pointer combination for fast, exact readings. Frame it with a pleasing bezel that can be finished to match or harmonize with your panels.

Now it looks like the precise instrument that it is — the new Cramer Type 691 Time Totalizer. Bulletin PB 691 tells more about it. For detailed information and complete specifications, write Cramer Controls Corp., Box 5, Centerbrook, Connecticut.



TYPE 691 PRECISION ELECTRICAL STOP CLOCK

	Total Range	Outer Scale	Inner Scale
		Each Division	Each Division
TIME RANGES:	60 sec.	.01 sec.	1 sec.
	60 min.	.01 min.	1 min.
	60 min.	1 sec.	1 min.

RATINGS: Motors — all standard voltages at 50, 60 and 400 cps, and 28 volts DC (chronometrically governed); clutches and solenoids — all standard voltages at 50 and 60 cps, and 28 volts DC.

ACCURACY: Within .01 second for 60-second units, and within .005 minute for 60-minute units.

ELECTRICAL RESET: Actuated either by momentarily pressing pushbutton on timer bezel, or by closing a remote switch. Timer pointers return to zero within 1/10 second.

LOAD SWITCHES: One or two, optionally available, SPDT, rated 5 amperes at 115 and 230 volts AC (resistive), 2 amperes at 28 volts DC.

CAMS: Optional, to operate load switches. Precision-cut to exact time specifications, they can provide a series of electrical pulses during timing, or transfer switch contacts at any point or points within the time range of the unit.

EXTERNAL CONNECTIONS: All connections to motor, clutch, reset solenoid and load switches are brought out to numbered terminals.

MIL-Specs: Hermetically-sealed military units meet vibration, shock and environmental requirements of MIL-E-5272A.

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Intercom 1000

Developed especially for the Bendix G-15 General Purpose Digital Computer, . . . Intercom 1000 is a complete general purpose system, in which commands and data may be stored in the computer's internal memory . . . Each Intercom command is represented by a two-digit code. To write an instruction, the user need only specify the desired code, together with the four-digit memory address where he has previously stored the data on which he wishes to operate.

NOTES	Command Code	Memory Address
Perform square root subroutine, which begins at address 1597. Leave result in accumulator.	08	1597
Perform sine subroutine, which begins at address 1442. Leave result in accumulator.	08	1442

The calculation of any subroutine function may then be called for in a program with a single command. For example, the two commands below, added to the preceding program, would enable the computation in radians of

$$\sin \sqrt{(a^2 - bc)}/d$$

(From new 4-page Bulletin AR-058-R-078, Bendix Computer, Div. of Bendix Aviation Corp., 5630 Arbor Vitae St., Los Angeles 45, Calif.)

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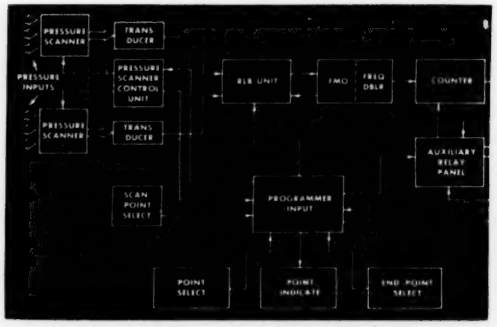
Pressure Scanner

The Data-Master Type 5 scans a number of pressures, measures them with high accuracy and records the data in digital form. It is particularly suitable when minimum switched volume is required for accuracy and speed. The Data-Master Type 5 is capable



of higher accuracy, finer resolution and greater reliability than any other pressure logging system. The input pressures may be from small diameter probes or orifices and may be transmitted over considerable distances through small diameter lines. Connections are made to external fittings on the Data-Master console . . . *(From new 4-page bulletin, Hanson-Gorrill-Brian, Inc., 85 Hazel St., Glen Cove, N. Y.)*

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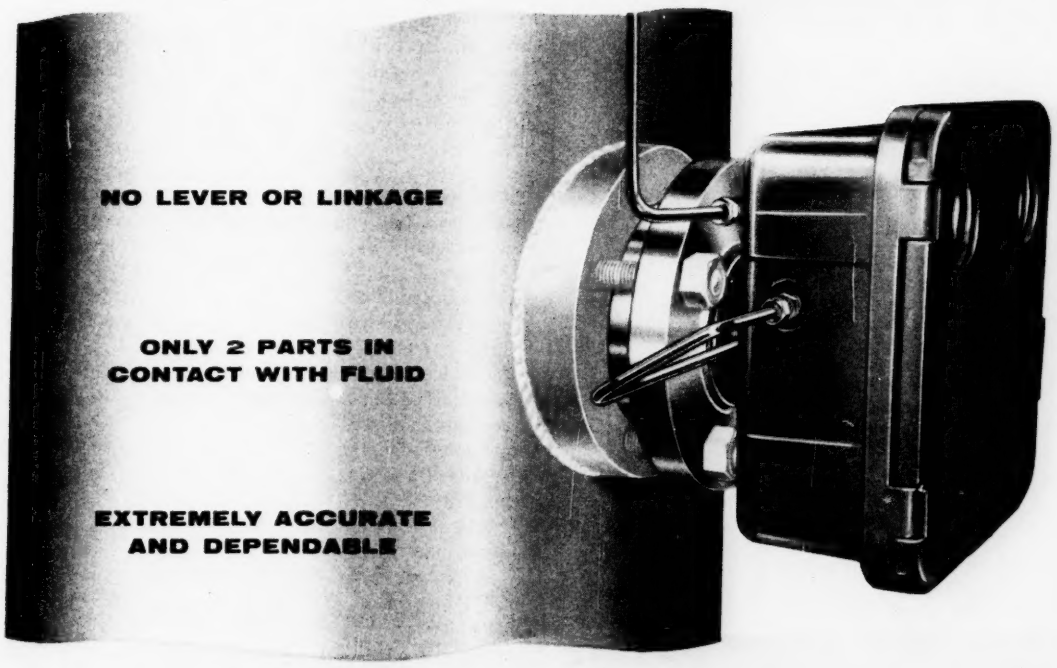
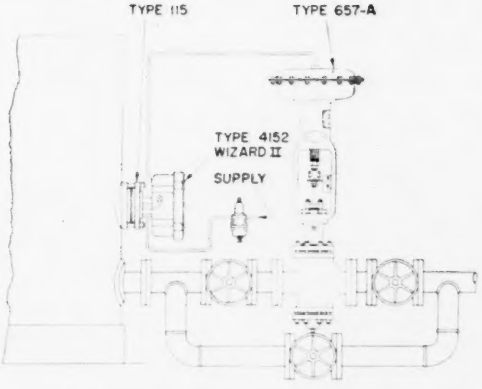
For that hard-to-handle liquid... consider the "115" Transmitter



Ideal as a liquid level transmitter for slurries, paper stock, and viscous or corrosive fluids

Flange mounts direct to side of tank. Only the diaphragm and the diaphragm ring come in contact with the fluid. Diaphragm is Teflon impregnated glass cloth ... ring can be stainless steel or some other corrosion resistant material of your choice. Pneumatic output of the "115" is a 1 to 1 measure of the liquid head in the vessel. Frequently supplied with the popular Fisher Wizard II as the controller which makes a complete and compact assembly for liquid level control application. Also used as a transmitter for remote, level indicating, recording or controlling. Primarily for open tank service, the "115" is used in pipe lines and vessels with pressures up to 75 psi. For complete information on the Fisher "115" write for Bulletin F-115.



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The fork is made up of 2 metals which provide thermal compensation so that large frequency deviations do not occur due to temperature changes.

The working "Q" of the fork is greater than 6000. This assures a high stability of fork frequency with respect to external factors such as B voltage, tube aging, and change in component values.

The electrical circuit consists of a double triode amplifier with negative feedback applied through a non-linear element. This arrangement acts to maintain fork amplitude and therefore frequency constant when B voltage is varied, or if the circuit gain changes for any reason. . .

Output Voltage—Approximately 5 V into 200,000 ohms or greater impedance.

Accuracy, Type R2003A: ± 1 part in 50,000 (± .005%) from + 15 to + 35° C . . . (*From new* 4-*page bulletin "Miniature Precision Forks, Types* 2003*A and* 2003," *American Time Products, Inc., 580 Fifth Ave., New York* 36, *N. Y.*)

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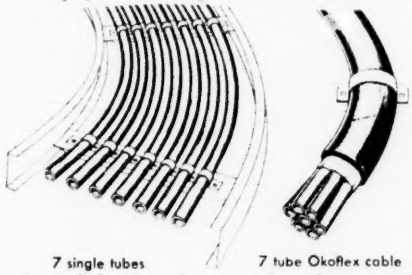
An Okoflex assembly consisting of several cabled tubes can be installed in approximately the same time it takes to install one tube . . . armor protects the tubes from both physical damage and corrosion . . . cabled



7 single tubes — 7 tube Okoflex cable

tubes (spiraled like the strands of a rope) can be bent on a small radius . . . colored sheaths provide "built-in" color coding . . . one tube in each layer of the tubing is color coded . . . communication or control wires can be cabled in with the tubes—for sound-powered phone communication during installation . . . (*From new* 24-*page Bulletin* 1112, *Okonite Co., Passaic, N. J.*)

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Standard or special, simple or complex—

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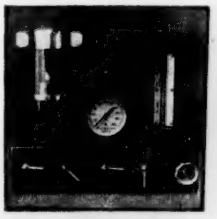

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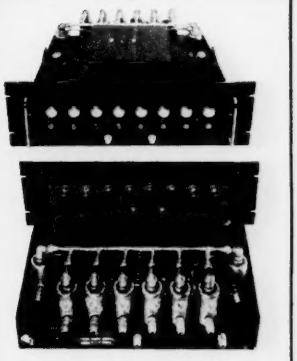

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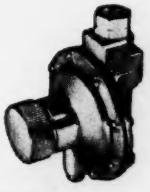

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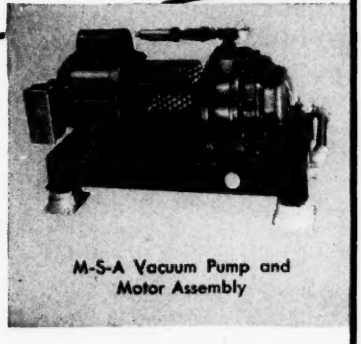
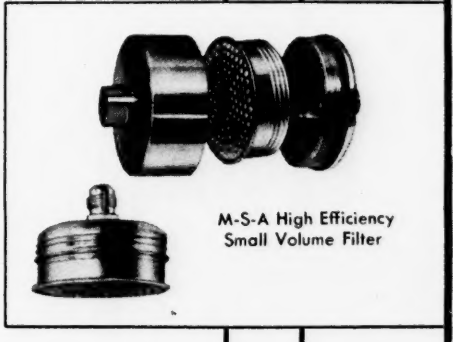


M-S-A Vacuum Pump and Motor Assembly



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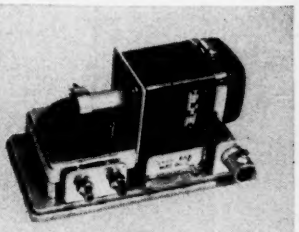

M-S-A Diaphragm Pump and Motor Assembly

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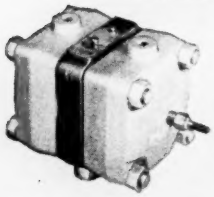

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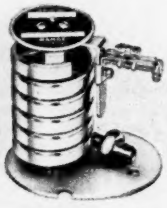

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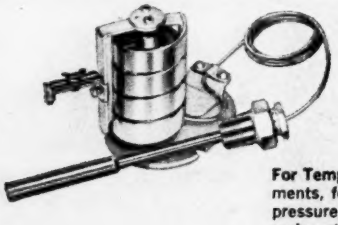

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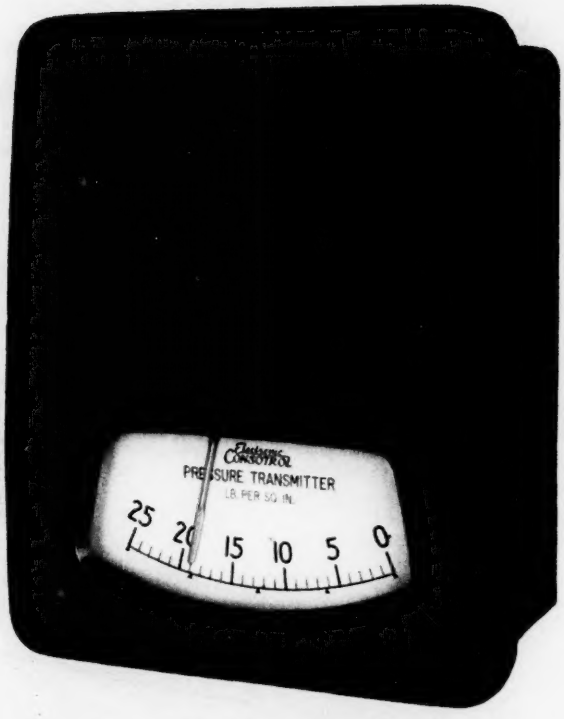

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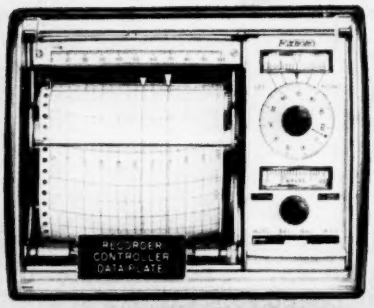

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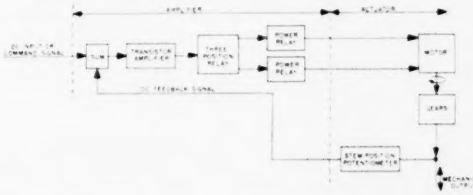

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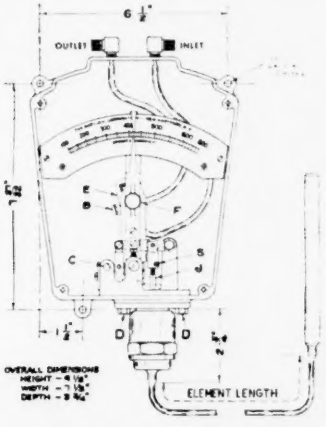

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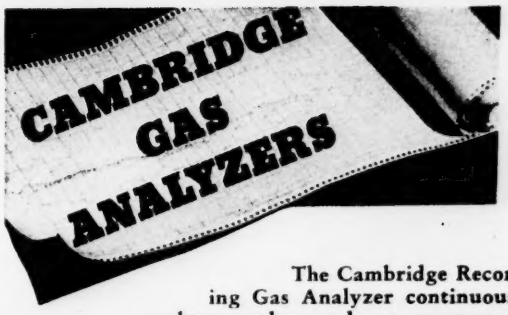

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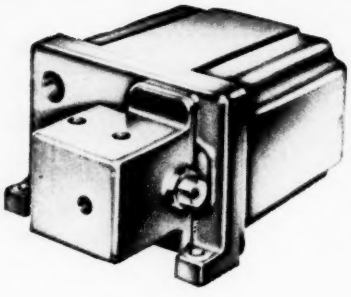

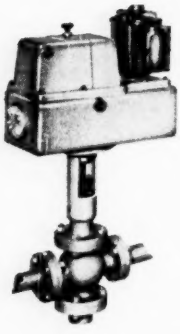

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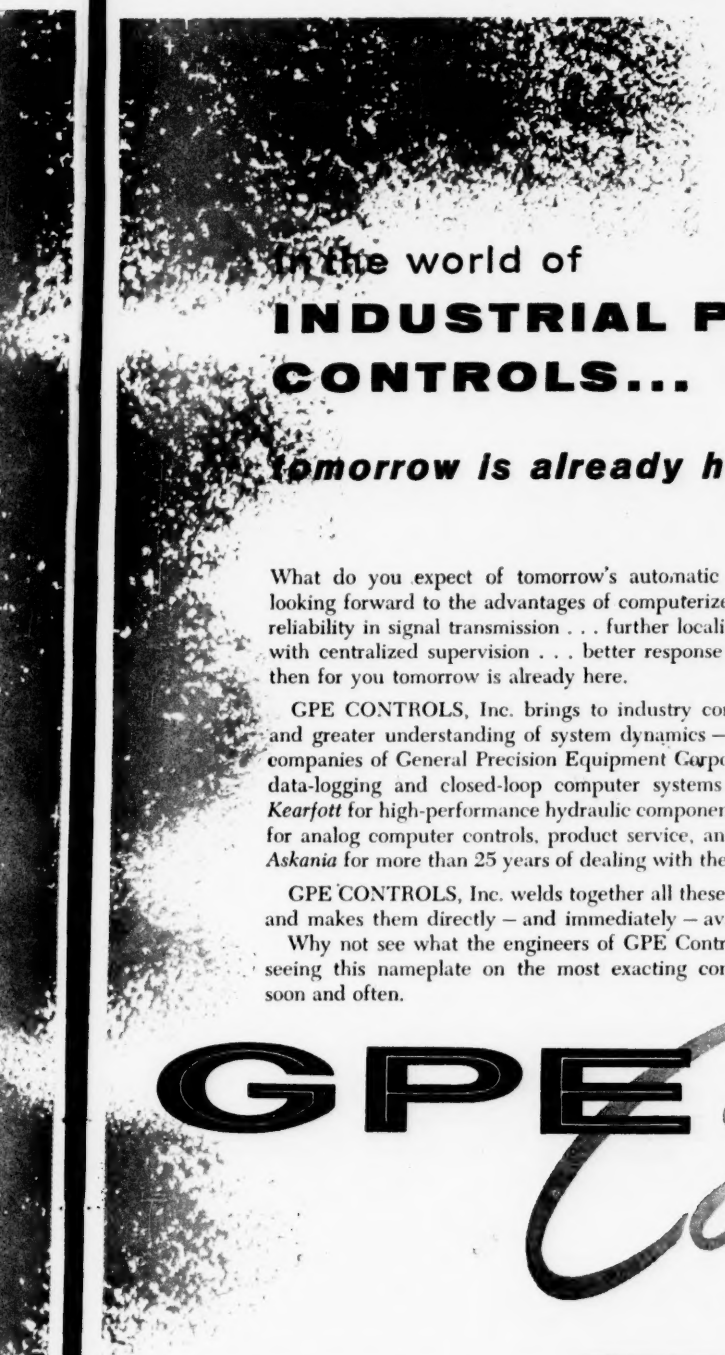

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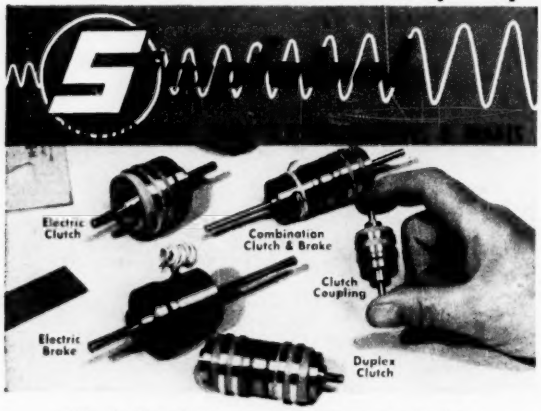

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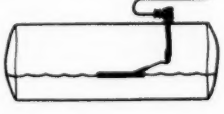

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960 CPS	4	S-15459		S-25312				
1300 CPS	5	S-15460		S-25313			3.5DB—15%	3.5DB—30%
1700 CPS	6	S-15461		S-25314	3¾x4½x2¼	1 lb. 7 oz.	20DB—23%	20DB—46%
2300 CPS	7	S-15462		S-25315			40DB—27%	40DB—54%
3000 CPS	8	S-15464		S-25316				
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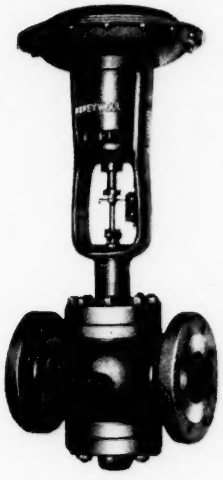

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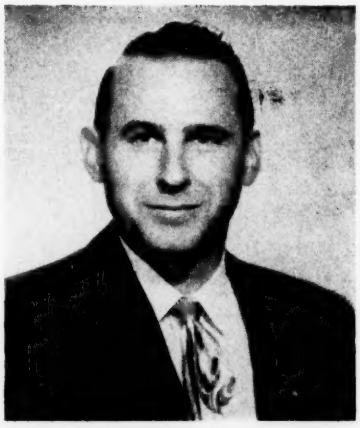
WILLIAM H. HANEY

Bill Haney received his engineering education at V. P. I. extension in Norfolk, Virginia, where he studied electrical engineering. Later he attended the U. S. Maritime School of Engineering and graduated in 1943 in marine engineering. For the duration of World War II he served as a maritime engineering officer.

Bill's interest in instrumentation began early in his high school days, around 1935, when he worked during vacation time in the jewelry business and had to repair some optical instruments. This "hobby" led to a job as instrument machanic, then others in the same line. He followed this occupation for several years before advancing his education.

When the war was over, Bill started his own instrument business. As president and general manager of a small corporation in New Orleans, Bill contracted instrumentation projects and custom-built instrumentation systems, and sold and serviced other instruments.

In 1946 he started the New Orleans Section of the ISA as a charter section, serving as its secretary for three years. The encouragement to start a section there came from Richard Rimbach, publisher of *Instruments*.



WILLIAM H. HANEY

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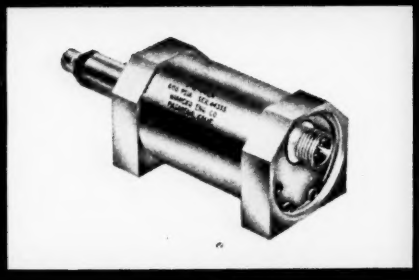
In 1955 Mr. Haney joined the Bechtel Corporation in San Francisco as a senior engineer in the instrument department. Three years later, in June 1958, he took a job with Chance Vought Aircraft, Inc., as systems engineer in electronic instrumentation design. He has been assigned recently to support engineering equipment for environmental testing and evaluation of missile inertial guidance systems.

Bill's biography shows the horizontal nature of instrumentation, making it possible for process instrument men to move into missile instrumentation, and *vice versa*.

a variable-reluctance pressure transducer for dc applications



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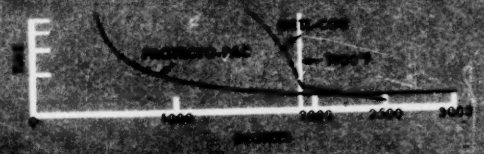

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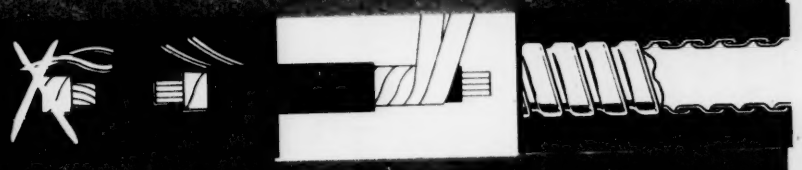

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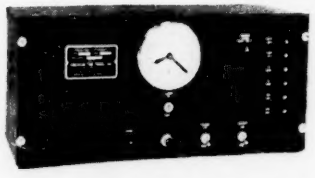

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Weight, 25 lbs.
Output: 115V
60 cycles, 10 Watt
Accuracy:
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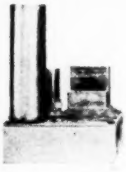
Input, 115V (50 to 400 cycles)



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B voltage, 100 to 300 V., at 5 to 10 ma.

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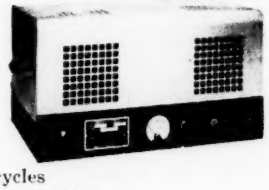

Size, with cover
10" x 17" x 9" H.
Panel model
10" x 19" x 8¾" H.
Weight, 25 lbs.
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Accuracy: (±.002% at 15° to 35°C)
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January 12-14

Fifth National Symposium on Reliability and Quality Control, Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, Philadelphia, Penna. For information write William H. Rombach, Philco Corp., 4700 Wissahickon Ave., Philadelphia 44, Penna.

February 12-13

Cleveland Sec., IRE, Annual Cleveland Electronics Conference, Cleveland Engineering Society Bldg. For information write Harry Crows, S. Sterling Co., 5827 Mayfield Rd., Cleveland 24, Ohio.

March 2-6

Tenth Pittsburgh Conference on Analytical Chemistry and Applied Spectroscopy, Penn-Sheraton Hotel, Pittsburgh, Penna. For information write Fritz Will, Alcoa Research Laboratories, New Kensington, Penna.

March 3-5

Western Joint Computer Conference, IRE, AIEE, and ACM, Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco, Calif., Dr. Robert R. Johnson, Chairman, Write Box 381, Station A., Palo Alto, Calif.

March 18-20

Twenty-Second Annual Short Course for Superintendents and Operators of Water and Sewerage Systems, on campus of Louisiana State University. For information write Fred H. Dean, Louisiana State University. Baton Rouge 3, Louisiana.

March 23-26

I.R.E. National Convention, New York Coliseum & Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, N. Y. For information write W. C. Copp, IRE Adv. Dept., 72 W. 45th St., N. Y. 36, N. Y.

March 26

Fifteenth Annual Quality Control Clinic, Rochester Society for Quality Control, University of Rochester, N. Y. Write Earl D. Hogan, Eastman Kodak Co., Kodak Park Works, Eng. Div., Bldg 23, Rochester 4, N. Y.

April 6-7

2nd National Symposium on Chemical & Petroleum Instrumentation, St. Louis, Mo. For information write H. S. Knidler, ISA, 313 6th Ave., Pittsburgh 22, Penna.

April 14-15

Conference on Industrial Instrumentation and Control, Illinois Institute Of Technology, Chicago, Ill. For information write R. W. Bull, Illinois Institute of Technology, 35 West 33rd St., Chicago 16, Ill.

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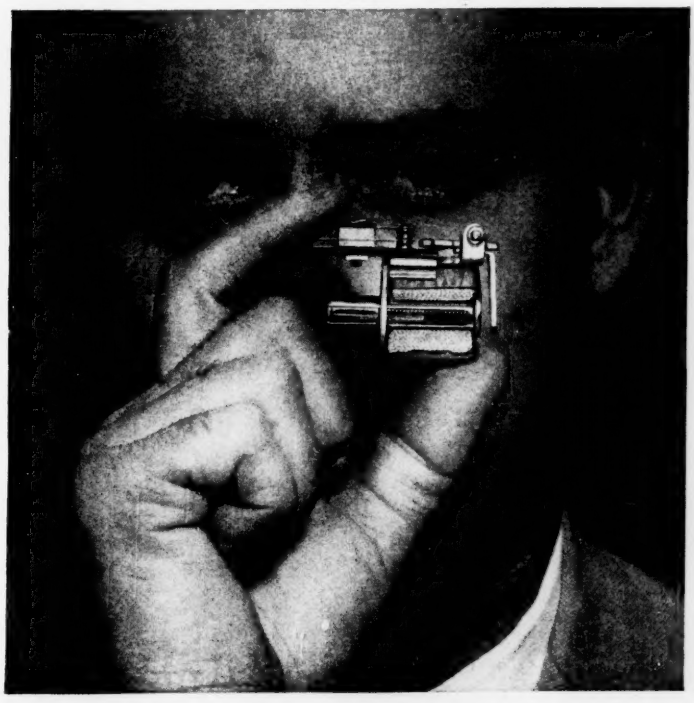

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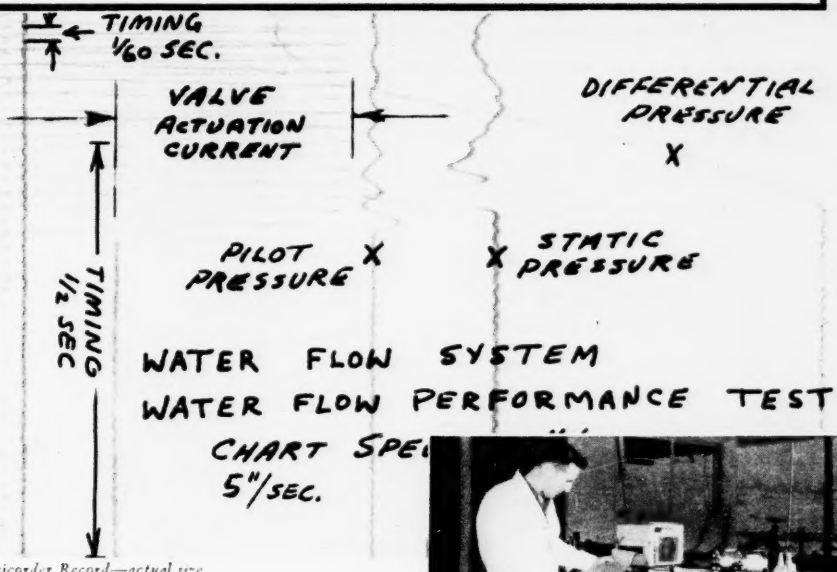

Visicorder Record—actual size

Wyle Laboratories in El Segundo, California, have used a battery of four Visicorder consoles like the one shown *(right)* to run a series of tests on a vital missile component. In the Wyle test project, the unique Visicorder consoles are easy to operate. Most parameters are low frequency, requiring response on the order of 5 to 60 cycles.

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Tom Jackson, Wyle engineer, examines Visicorder record

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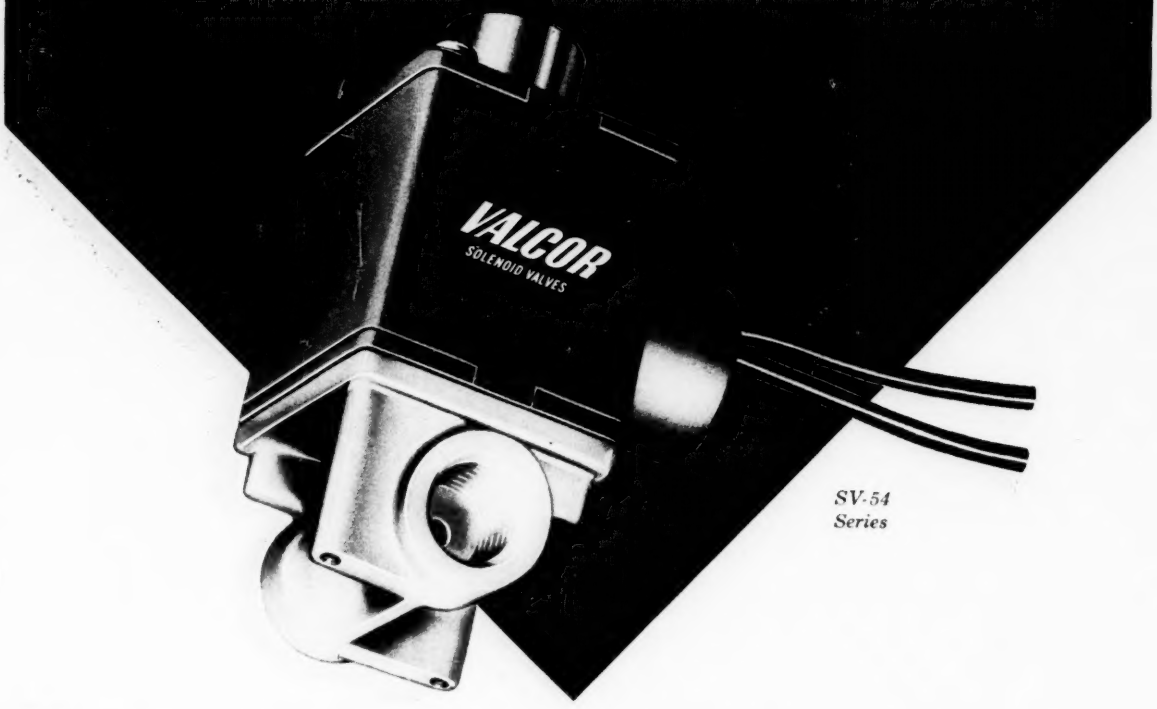

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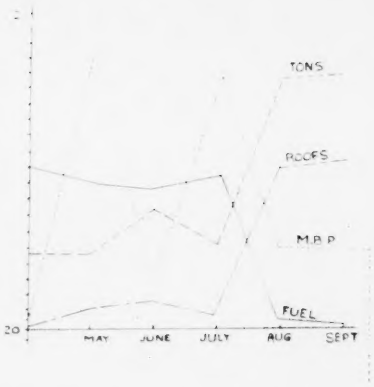
"CUZ," says Waldo Klappsaddle, Sales Manager of WESCO!, "We have the world by the well-known place with our latest fantastic, fabulous and filosophic Model TR System Analyzer Computer-Controller." Waldo was holding his first press conference since his return from a wild-cat trip into central West Virginia where he has been running down a rumor of a new ramp plantation. Waldo has also just received a rare honor: he is the first man locally to receive the $50 Reward for "Information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone stealing a push-cart from the Long Bottom A&P store" (his wife inadvertantly pushed one home one evening). As a consequence, Waldo is back to his old genial self.

"What do you mean, Waldo?" asked I, smelling another "first" in the instrument industry. "What's happened now?"

"Well you won't believe this, Cuz, but we have installed the TR System Analyzer on No. 501 Open Hearth up at the West Virginia Electronic Coke and Petroleum Company and turned it loose to start saving money for them. At this point Waldo reached around into the book case for the latest trade magazine to search for additional adjectives to enliven his description of TR, but, failing to discover what he was looking for, whipped out a graph which illustrates the wondrous results.

"See Cuz, how the Tons per Hour have been poking along until July? See how they jumped up during July? Why one can just stand there and see the arteries of commerce throbbing with new hope. Look at the Fuel Rate! We have already had a visitor from the Oil Trust. He said we'd either have to quit making this analyzer or else they would have to raise the price of fuel oil. And Roof Life? Listen, there was a. . ."



"What's that dotted line marked M.B.P.? I never saw that on open hearth reports," asked I, breaking in on Waldo's monolog.

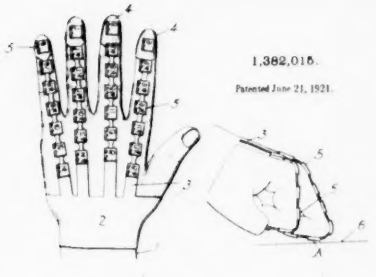
". . . delegation from the brick industry who threatened me bodily injury if . . . huh? Oh, that? That line is a plot of the Manager's Blood Pressure. You can see how jumpy he was up until the time we started the analyzer and how smooth it was afterwards . . ."

"But Waldo, what happened shortly after the first of September? The line drops straight down?" I interjects.

"Yes, a very sad case. Tsk, tsk, tsk." Here Waldo picked his teeth reflectively. "Yep, that was the day that the bill for the TR plus the operating cost came in. The poor fellow dropped dead."

Panhandle Pete

Weight Automation



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Maintenance and Servicing of Electrical Instruments

by James Spencer. Useful to all instrument users, service men, switchboard attendants testing engineers, and others, this book covers construction, testing, applications, principles of operation and maintenance of all kinds of electrical indicating instruments. Clothbound, 274 illustrations, 280 pages, 1951 (third edition). $2.00

Process Control Analysis

by M. H. Lajoy and E. A. Baillif. An essential first step in analysis of closed-loop controlled processes via frequency response of the system. Clothbound, 72 pages, 1956. $2.00

The Computer Handbook

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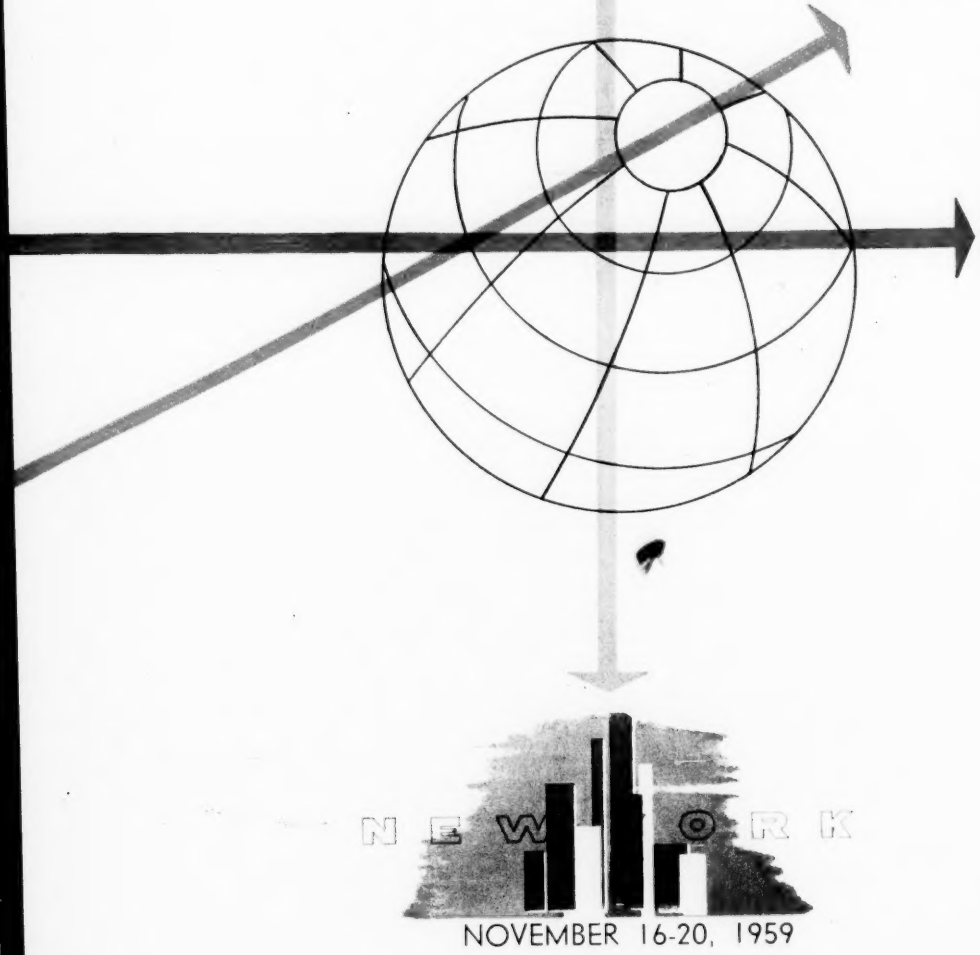

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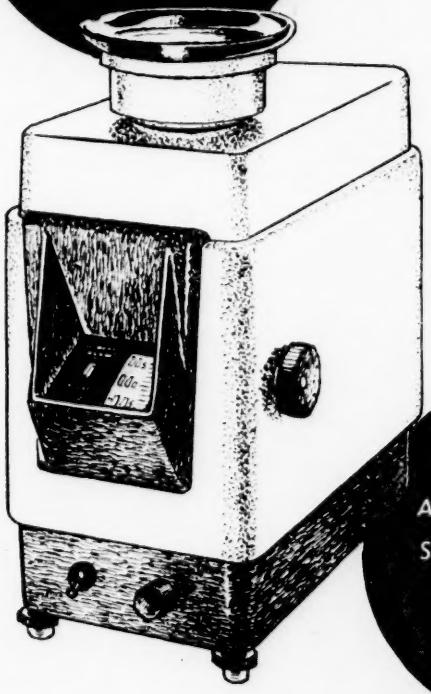

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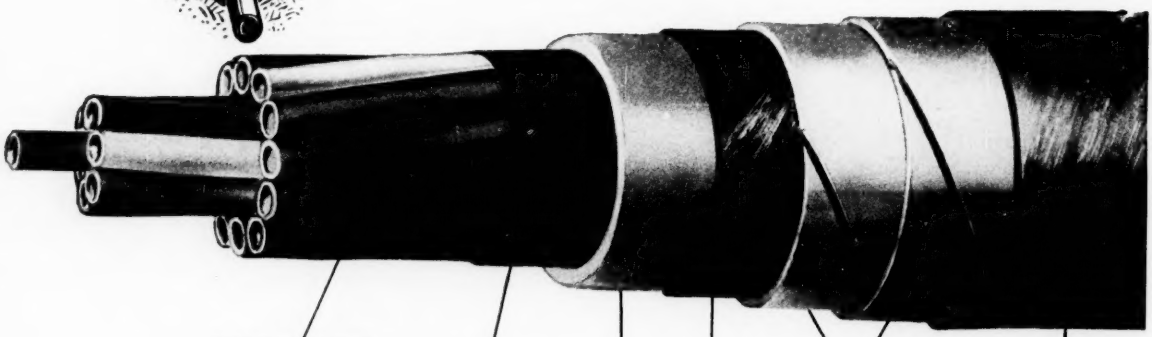

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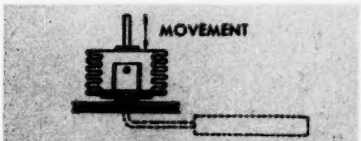
Punched Cards, Their Application to Science and Industry, edited by Robert S. Casey, James W. Perry, Madeline M. Berry and Allen Kent. Reinhold Publishing Corp., 430 Park Ave., New York 22, N. Y. [c 1958]. 697 p. $15. 9¼". Thoroughly revised and enlarged second edition. Includes hand- and machine-sorted cards, and is intended as elementary instruction manual and advanced handbook. Shows also how to find, arrange, use, store and retrieve information of any kind.

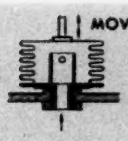
Introduction to Symbolic Logic and its Applications by Rudolf Carnap, revised translation from the German. [c1958] Dover Publications, Inc., 920 Broadway, New York 10, N. Y., 241 p., 5⅜" x 8", paperbound, $1.85. Symbolic or mathematical logic, or logistic is the application of symbols in various domains of science (notably in mathematics, physics, and biology) as a means of communication, to express any theory about any objects whatever. The book develops such a "language" and by means of problems, examples and exercises gives the student practice in the techniques of symbolic logic.

Insulation Testing by D-C Methods by E. B. Curdts [c 1958] James J. Biddle Co., 1316 Arch St., Phila. 7, Pa., 43 p., $2.00 paperbound, 8½" x 11". Book describes basic principles, using uncomplicated mathematics, interpretation of tests by the step-voltage method, and test equipment requirements. Contains numerous tabulated test-set selection guides and extensive bibliography.

Graphical Symbols for Fluid Power Diagrams, ASA Y32.0-1958 [c 1958.] American Society of Mechanical Engineers, 29 West 39th St., New York 18, N. Y. 16 p. $1.50.



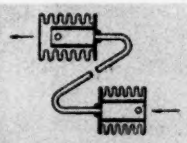
Regulate Temperature Temperature changes cause a thermostatic charge in the bellows to expand and operate a valve, switch, damper, etc. Charge can also be in an external cup.



Control Movement Converts pressure effects inside the bellows into controlled movement. Another assembly accomplishes the same job with pressure applied within an external cup.

Absorb Expansion Thermal or pressure expansion is absorbed by this assembly. With suitable heads, it can serve as a liquid or gas reservoir, such as an oil reservoir for an electrical cable joint.

Absorb Vibration, Expansion Used as packless, leakless expansion joints to absorb thermal expansion of steam and water lines, and to absorb vibration or provide flexible connections in other applications.



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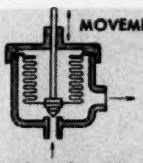

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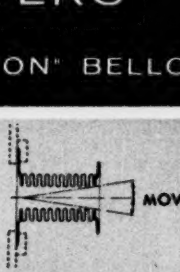

Seal Flexible Joints Used to seal a flexible joint or mechanical movement of levers, linkage, etc., against leakage where the movement must be conveyed outside an enclosure, such as operating stem of float switches.

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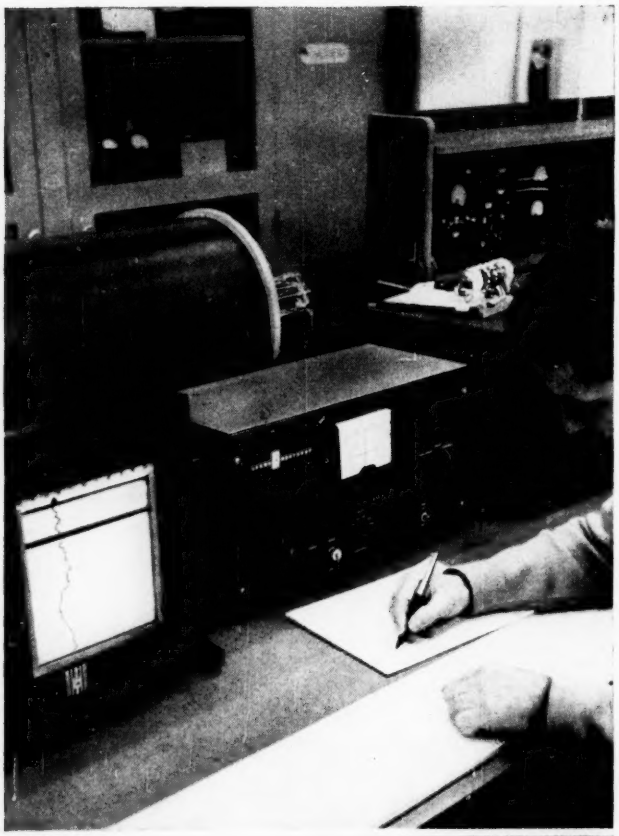

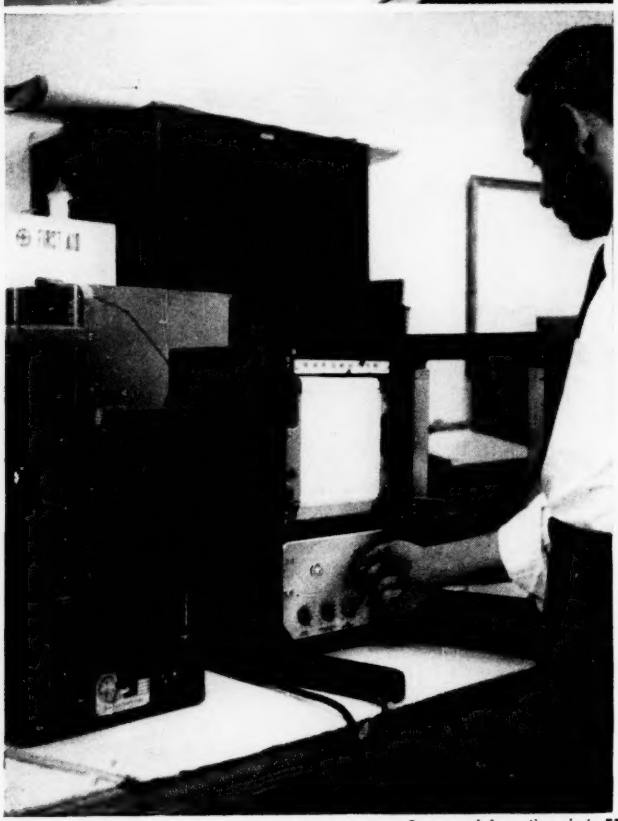

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editorial

INSTRUMENTATION 1958

A STATE-of-the-art survey of any field should have perspective. It should report the new developments, but it should also interpret them in the light of existing techniques in general practice. This is a most difficult task, seldom realized.

Electronic Control

Much publicity has been given to the threefold increased in 1958 in general-purpose electronic process-control systems (from two to six lines). There is little basic significance in this.

As the market for electronic controllers showed no evidence of any expansion by a factor of three (or even two) in 1958, these new lines mean strongly increased competition for the electronic market (not always a constructive development). More happily, it could put an end to the fruitless pneumatic versus electronic debates of the past. Perhaps now we shall see more quantitative studies such as analog-computer simulations, which could conceivably prove economies (resulting from the response speed of electronic systems) of a magnitude sufficient to expand the electronic process control market significantly.

This leads, directly, to one aspect of instrumentation wherein significant things did happen during the year. This is "systems engineering."

Systems Engineering

As readers of *I&A* throughout the year know, we devoted considerable editorial emphasis to debunking exaggerated systems claims. Many newer publications in this field made claims that were so misleading and out-of-touch with reality that an entire issue of *I&A* was devoted to an attempt to place the systems concept in perspective. However, many established firms made large investments in anticipation of an explosive systems market that did not materialize in 1958. Most systems firms and systems divisions are only now obtaining projects: it was of this that we warned the industry while we reported the techniques for optimum systems design and optimum control.

The computer (analog or digital) has possible application in three ways—(1) design, (2) operations, such as linear programming, or (3) control, as in optimum control. It was the implications of the latter use that caused the rash of systems speculation (and expenditures) in 1958—but it will be at least several years before this phase of instrumentation can prove its economic justification. As even a small computer-in-control situation requires an expenditure of $100,000 or more, economic justification must precede, not follow, the growth of this market.

The significant development of 1958 in this field was that systems divisions and firms found an appreciable number of industrial firms willing and able to enter into cooperative study projects associated with control computers. Thus there are now to our knowledge at least 18 industrial processes and operations being carefully investigated and prepared for computer-control analysis. These processes are in many different industries—petrochemical, iron and steel, cement manufacturing, power generation. Many are publicized; others are proceeding under wraps.

These projects must be considered study projects—the main products will be logged data. The unique feature is that the data will include operating guides to indicate process efficiency. For example, in one project, 160 process variables are used to compute 27 operating guides (catalyst circulation rate, carbon burning rate, material balance, etc.)

Just what the eventual significance of these data may mean in all the projects under way will not be established with finality for one to three years. The projects are being closely watched by your editors; an attempt to interpret the early results will be made near the end of 1959.

Analog Computers

Industrial uses of analog computers also increased significantly in 1958—but mostly by computer services. Sales of analog computers to industry did not reach anticipated size.

This is doubly unfortunate. Only the analog computer can establish the many inter-relationships of variables which should be known even before digital control becomes practical. The latter occurs only *after* the relationships are known. Today many of these are assumed: this uncertainty could be reduced by greater

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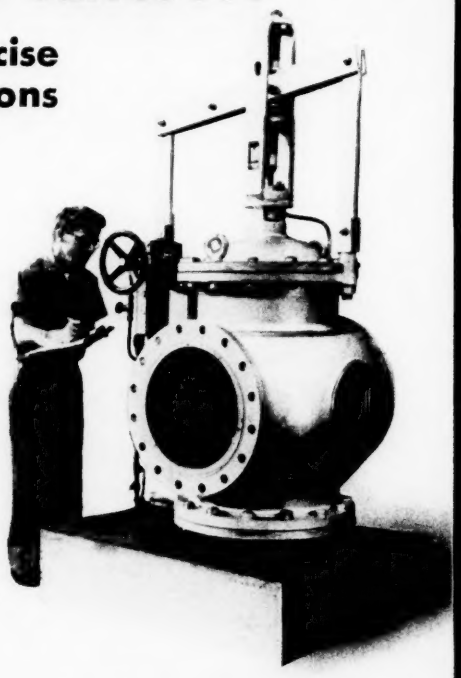

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use of the analog computer—as we have "preached" for four years.

Inasmuch as this knowledge of inter-relationships of variables is a prerequisite to computer control, and inasmuch as the implications of computer control have led industry into an expenditure of several millions of dollars, we make the following suggestion for 1959: A *combined* and cooperative analog-computer digital-logger-controller-computer study could be achieved at a cost not much more than the cost of either alone—and the results may well show that only the use of combined techniques makes either one economic. Obviously, deep analysis of any problem should involve the best of analog (simulation) *and* digital (logging-computing) techniques. It is interesting to note that there are three firms emphasizing industrial computer-control, and three general-purpose analog-computer firms emphasizing industrial simulation. We suggest that three important partnership arrangements are in order. We predict that such partnerships would be immensely fruitful to both partners, to industry in general, and to the instrument industry.

As 1958 ends, we welcome a new analog-computer firm to the nation—Electro Precision Corporation of Arkansas, marketing a "Collegiate" analog computer. We hope, for the sake of our nation's educational state, that many of these find their way into American colleges and universities.

This leads us to the subject of education in 1958.

Education

A false and dangerous theory found wide acceptance in technical circles in 1958. Editors, civic leaders, commentators, committee chairmen and, worst of all, university academic groups, all found themselves agreeing with a proposition that is not only not true but actually harmful to the nation and to the instrument industry in particular. This is the "logical" premise that education should be *either* highly theoretical *or* highly vocational; that the theoretical and academic curriculum should use little or no equipments or hardware, and that such hardware should be reserved for the vocational and technician levels.

This "or" concept, so widely believed, is a threat to the instrument industry, to education, and to the nation. As far as the instrument industry is concerned, it means that instruments would not be used in high schools or in any academic curricula; as far as education is concerned it means that the great motivation appeal of modern instrumentation would not be used to capture students and guide them into science; as far as the nation is concerned it means that academic students will receive deadeningly dull theoretical subjects with little relation to the actual physical world, and that engineers and scientists will graduate from college with little knowledge of modern instrumentation. Nor is this exaggeration; it already has occurred to an alarming degree.

The entire "OR" concept is false. A good curriculum should contain the *optimum* amounts of theory "AND" hardware to achieve the desired educational objective, be it academic or vocational. Yet the "OR" concept is so widely held that we have on record some leading electronics authors saying that *electronics* should not be taught in the high school; we even have the Foundation for Instrument Education and Research saying that *Instrumentation* should not be taught in the high school!

This subject is of such importance that it will be treated in detail in our next issue.

Nucleonics

With 33,000 scientists and engineers already employed in nuclear work, universities are emphasizing reactor education. A nuclear package complete with subcritical reactor was placed on the market in 1958 at a price of $30,000. The market for reactor simulators also is promising.

Highlight of the year in the field of nucleonics was the Second United Nations Conference in the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy, held in Geneva in September, 1958. It was attended by 5000 delegates and observers from 67 countries, and 2300 papers were presented, probably the largest scientific gathering ever held.

The vast number of papers on this subject alone (nucleonics) emphasizes the growing importance of another field of technical activity which falls into the "instrumentation" category.

Information Retrieval

This is information retrieval—the abstracting, classifying, sorting, filing and retrieving of information contained in reports, books, manuscripts and articles—and in many languages. There are more than 1500 different scientific and technical professional groups and societies in USA and Canada. As many as 2000 papers are produced in one year by one society, and the cross-interest in technical work means that all fields need be monitored by all others. Information processing, which will be the subject of an International Conference in Paris, June 15-20, 1959, is a field to watch in 1959.

The Market in 1959

It is fashionable to predict a healthy and expanding economy, complete with increased productivity due to greater use of instrumentation. But anybody who closes his eyes to the dark clouds on the horizon is indulging in wishful thinking, a fairly common habit today.

There are still more than 4 million unemployed in the USA; military expenditures are admitted to be both an economic crutch and a military necessity (leaving humanity with the unconscious choice between depression and nuclear war); industrial productivity increase has fallen to the low figure of 1% (by some reports); the education problem deepens every month, and not only technologically. These are the types of problems, some of which today appear almost unsolvable, that will determine whether the nation—and our industry—remains healthy in 1959. Who then can predict a happy or prosperous future without discussion of these problems? Not even a population increase can be predicted safely today. **MHA**

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Soviet Trends in Computers for Control of

A clear and thorough résumé of the state of Soviet computer art, including general-purpose and special-purpose analog computers, network analogs, "programmed and reflection" process control computers, and optimum parameter control computers. Last month this report discussed Soviet computers for operations research and simulation studies. The report continues with a description of a special-purpose computer.

Group II—Computer Devices for the Computation of Complex Parameters

Manufacturing processes can be characterized by certain parameters to be used as control information. In most cases those parameters are ordinary values representing the process from one aspect only. Usually, however, a single parameter is not sufficient for controlling the process as a whole. Therefore, there arises the necessity of obtaining certain complex, integral or statistical parameters that give a more complete representation of the process.

Such complex parameters are typical for the control of processes which either proceed at faster rates or are of a complex structure involving many interdependent parameters. In blast furnace controls for example, Prof. Sorokin, from the Donetz Industrial Institute, considers such complex variables as the effective capacity (the specific consumption of carbon in kg per ton of cast iron) and the blast furnace output (tons per minute).

For obtaining these two complex parameters it is necessary to continuously solve two nonlinear relations containing several variable parameters received from instruments installed on the blast furnace.

Examples of the use of complex process data may be cited from different branches of technique—chemistry, metallurgy, oil refining, etc. Similar problems are encountered in determination of operation conditions of routines for any given process or plant, using initial process data.

Cutting Ratings Computer

An example of a computer for operational routines is the general-purpose cuttings rating computer used for determination of optimal cutting conditions for most widely used machining operations—turning, milling, and drilling. This computer (Fig. 6) can be applied also in technical rating and for research work in laboratories dealing with cutting processes.

The computer circuit is constructed on the principle that all of the formulas used for determining the cutting operational conditions (Fig. 8) can be brought to the transcendental form:

$$a_1^{b_1} a_2^{b_2} a_3^{b_3} \ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots a_n^{b_n} = 1$$

where a_i and b_i are actual values. The unknown may be any of the values a_i or b_i. Values b_i may be positive or negative, while value a_i may be positive only.

The tubeless circuit of the computer (Fig. 7) is designed on the compensation principle. All the potentiometers (on which the desired values and the value to be sought are preset) are connected, through resistors, with a common null galvanometer in which all currents flowing across the resistors are summed. When the galvanometer pointer is set at zero, the graduated scale on the front panel gives the required values with an accuracy sufficient for practical needs (the instrument error not exceeding several per cent). For simplification, the computer does not solve the formulas given in the Table of Fig. 8 but, rather, the logarithms of the relations. However, the readings of the variables are finally obtained in natural values calibrated on the scales of the computer knobs.

The computer is designed mainly for data concerning the working of structural carbon and alloy steels (including heat-resisting steels), and gray and malleable cast iron, when using tools made of hard alloy and steel. Up to 23 different variables (such as work diameter, cutting speed, admissible feed, spindle number of revolutions, depth of cutting, number of cutter strokes, machine time, motor capacity, and others) can be inserted into the computer. Taking several of these values for a base, it is possible, referring to the formulas given in Fig. 8, to rapidly compute the parameter which is dependent on these values.

Prof. Pankin supports the view that optimum operational routines can double the average output in machine time against values recommended in handbooks.

In addition to routine decision making, the computer also permits choosing the most appropriate type of machine-tool, cutter, and mode of fixation.

Manufacturing Processes

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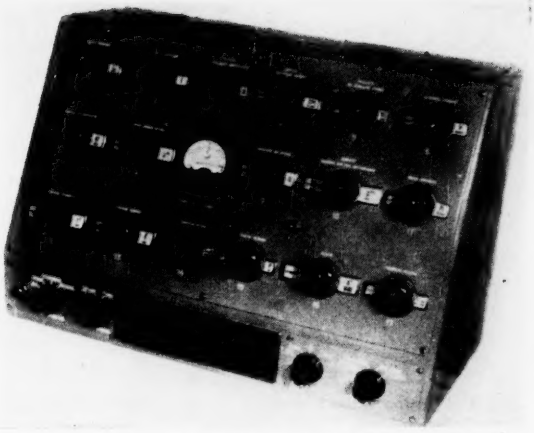

FIG. 6. COMPUTER type BPRR-2.

The time required for routine decision making is reduced to approximately 2 or 3 minutes. The computer can be operated from a 220-v, 127-v or 36-v single-phase line. Its weight does not exceed 25 kg.

Note that the values are inserted manually into the cuttings ratings computer by the operator; computers for the determination of complex process data can receive input automatically from sensers connected to the controllable process.

Group III—Computers for Training of Process Operators

This class of computing machines includes complex simulators for training crews for aeroplanes and operators of atomic power stations, high-speed rolling mills, etc. Such computers, simulating the dynamics of the process are rather complicated and similar in design to computers of the first group, their distinguishing feature being that they usually operate in real time and include the operators being trained.

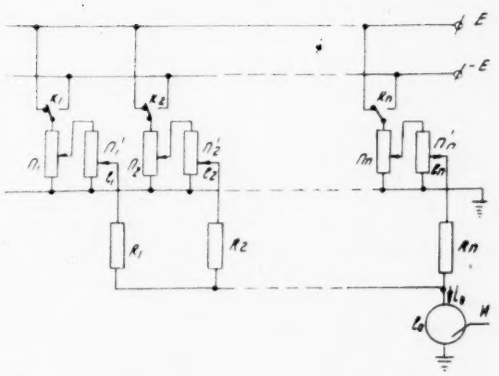

FIG. 7. SCHEMATIC circuit of computer type BPRR-2.

Next month this report continues with computers for automatic process control.

Table

Speeds, feeds and machine time			Machining operations: Turning	Milling	Drilling
Feed depending upon the machine tool	Limited	By P_{max}	$S^{y}=\frac{P}{K_P C_P t^{x}}$	$S^{y}=\frac{P D^{\alpha}}{K_P C_P B^{\beta} Z t^{x}}$	$S^{y}=\frac{P D^{\alpha_1}}{K_P C_P}$
Number of revolutions			$n=\frac{N}{710^{-7} P D}$	$n=\frac{N}{710^{-7} P D}$	$n=\frac{N}{710^{-7} P D}$
Feed depending upon the machine tool		By $2M_{max}$	$S^{y}=\frac{2M}{K_P C_P t^{x} D}$	$S^{y}=\frac{2M D^{\alpha}}{K_P C_P D B^{\beta} Z t^{x}}$	$S^{y}=\frac{M D^{\alpha_1}}{K_P C_P D}$
Number of revolutions			$n=\frac{N}{710^{-7} 2M}$	$n=\frac{N}{710^{-7} 2M}$	$n=\frac{N}{710^{-7} M}$
Feed depending upon the cutting tool			$S^{y_1}=\frac{1000 K_V C_V}{T^{m} \pi D n t^{x_1}}$	$S^{y_1}=\frac{1000 K_V C_V D^{\alpha}}{T^{m} \pi D n B^{\beta} Z^{\varepsilon} t^{x_1}}$	$S^{y_1}=\frac{1000 K_V C_V \cdot D^{\alpha_1}}{T^{m} \pi D n}$
Feed depending upon drill rigidity			—	—	$S=C \cdot D^{\alpha_2}$
Machine time			$T_{mach}=\frac{L \cdot i}{n S}$	$T_{mach}=n \frac{L \cdot i}{S \cdot z}$	$T_{mach}=\frac{L}{n \cdot S}$
Cutting speed			$V=\frac{\pi D n}{1000}$	$V=\frac{\pi D n}{1000}$	$V=\frac{\pi D n}{1000}$
Feed per minute			—	$S_{min}=n S z$	—
Double torque			$2M=P D$	$2M=P D$	$2M=P D$

FIG. 8. TABLE of formulas for calculating operational routines for optimum cutting.

Terms and Definitions for the Weighing Industry

ANALYTICAL BALANCE, n. An equal-arm balance characterized by great sensitiveness (small SR) and small capacity (rarely exceeding 200 grams), and usually provided with an auxiliary device to permit readily of the designed or purported refinement of weighing.

APOTHECARIES' SYSTEM, n. The system of units formerly in universal use in the United States of America and England for weighing and measuring drugs and compounding prescriptions. (1) The system of mass units includes the ounce of 8 drams, the dram being divided into 3 scruples of 20 grains each. (2) The system of volume units includes the fluid ounce of 8 fluid drams, the fluid dram being divided into 60 minims.

ASSAY BALANCE, n. A very sensitive balance, usually equal arm and of one gram capacity, especially adapted for use in assaying.

AVOIRDUPOIS SYSTEM, n. The system of mass units in common use in English-speaking countries for weighing commercially all commodities except precious stones, precious metals, and drugs. Its fundamental unit is the pound of 7000 grains, and divided into 16 ounces of 437.5 grains each. The avoirdupois pound is equal to 453.5924277 grams.

BALANCE, n. (1) An instrument for weighing; in its simplest form, an equal-arm weighbeam with suspended pans.

BIFURCATED, adj. Divided into two branches.

BUOYANCY, n. The upward pressure exerted upon an immersed or floating body by the fluid (air, water, etc.) which surrounds it; a factor in precision weighing. See Weight (1).

CARAT, n. A unit of mass for precious stones, especially diamonds and pearls, equal to 200 milligrams; originally known as the International Metric Carat, and sometimes now referred to as the Metric Carat.

COUNTERPOISE WEIGHT, n. An adjusted, removable, (usually) slotted weight, intended to counterpoise an applied load of designated weight value. Sometimes also colloquially called Counterweight. Cf. Bottle Weight, Counterbalance Weight, Hanger Weight.

CREEP, n. With respect to certain types of springs, additional deformation without increase in applied load, as a result of leaving the load applied for a substantial length of time. Cf. Hysteresis.

DYNAMOMETER, n. An apparatus for measuring force or power, such as the brake horsepower of a steam or internal combustion engine or of an electric motor, or the drawbar pull of a locomotive.

GRAIN, n. (1) A unit of mass common to the avoirdupois, troy and apothecaries' systems, equal to 1/7000 of an avoirdupois pound, or 1/5760 of troy or apothecaries' pound, or 64.7989 milligrams. (2) The unhusked or threshed seeds or fruits of various food plants.

GRAM, n. The fundamental unit of mass in the Metric System: 0.001 of the mass of the International Prototype Kilogram. The basic relation between mass units of the Customary and Metric Systems is: one pound avoirdupois = 453.5924277 grams. The gram is equal to 1000 milligrams, or 15.4324 grains.

GRAVITY, n. The accelerating tendency of bodies toward the center of the earth. Its symbol is "g", and its value, which varies from place to place, is about 980 cm (or 32.16 ft) per second per second.

GROSS TON, n. A Long ton.

INTERNATIONAL BUREAU OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, n. A scientific bureau maintained at Sevres, France, through the cooperation of some 33 countries, including the United States of America. This bureau maintains the international standards of length and mass, and periodically compares and certifies National Standards submitted for that purpose.

INTERNATIONAL PROTOTYPE KILOGRAM, n. The cylinder of platinum-iridium deposited at the International Bureau of Weights and Measures and declared to be the international prototype of the kilogram by the First General Conference on Weights and Measures. This is the fundamental Standard from which all metric standards of mass are derived. Cf. Kilogram, National Prototype Kilogram No. 20.

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INTERNATIONAL PROTOTYPE METER, n. The bar of platinum-iridium deposited at the International Bureau of Weights and Measures and declared to be the international prototype of the meter by the First General Conference on Weights and Measures. This is the fundamental Standard from which all metric standards of lengths are derived. Cf Meter, National Prototype Meter No. 27.

METRIC TON, n. 1000 kilograms.

METROLOGY, n. The science of weights and measures.

MOTION WEIGHING, n. The weighing of loads without causing them to come to a stop on the load receiving element of a scale.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, n. An organization of weights and measures officials of the United States which meets annually at the National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C.

NATIONAL SCALE MEN'S ASSOCIATION, n. An organization of persons interested in the design, manufacture, installation, maintenance, testing and operation of weighing equipment in the United States and Canada.

OUNCE, n. Either of two different units of mass, one in the Avoirdupois system and one common to the Troy and Apothecaries' Systems. (1) the Avoirdupois Ounce is equal to 1/16 avoirdupois pound or 437.5 grains, or 28.3495 grams. (2) The Troy or Apothecaries' Ounce is equal to 1 12 troy or apothecaries' pound or 480 grains, or 31.1035 grams. (The ounce is also a unit of capacity in the customary and apothecaries' systems of fluid measure.)

PERCENTAGE SCALE, n. An unequal-arm scale, especially designed for indicating in percent the loss in weight of a sample after cleaning, drying etc.; sometimes also equipped to indicate the weight per bushel of grain, of which a sample of specified volume is the applied load. Sometimes also called Moisture Percentage Scale. Cf. Grain Tester.

POISE, n. A weighbeam element, adjusted as to its weight, movable parallel to the longitudinal axis of the weighbeam, whose position with reference to the graduations on the bar with which it is associated, or with reference to a fixed index, constitutes the weight indication. Sometimes colloquially called Pea. Cf. Turnover Poise.

POUND, n. Either of two different units of mass, one in the Avoirdupois System and one common to the Troy and Apothecaries' Systems. (1) The Avoirdupois Pound is equal to 7000 grains, or 453.5924277 grams, and is divided into 16 ounces. (2) The Troy or Apothecaries' Pound (rarely used) is equal to 5760 grains, or 373.242 grams, and is divided into 12 ounces.

PRESCRIPTION SCALE OR PRESCRIPTION BALANCE, n. A Scale, usually an equal-arm scale of small capacity, especially designed or adapted for the weighing of ingredients of medicinal and other formulas prescribed by physicians and others and entering into the ordinary trade of pharmacists and chemists. Prescription scales identified as Class A or Class B, according to their accuracy and sensitiveness.

PROVING LEVER, n. One of (usually) a pair of levers of the first class especially designed or adapted for use with a complement of standard weights to apply known force or load to the weighing table of a testing machine.

PROVING RING, n. An elastic ring, suitable for calibrating a testing machine, in which the deformation of the ring under diametral load is measured by means of a micrometer screw and a vibrating reed mounted diametrically in the ring.

SENSIBILITY RECIPROCAL (SR), n. The change in applied load required to change the position of equilibrium of a weighbeam or indicator a definite amount; in a scale equipped with a weighbeam and trig loop without over-and-under device, the change in applied load required to change the position of equilibrium of the weighbeam from the midpoint of its travel to either limit thereof. The term has no application in the case of an automatic indicating scale.

SPRING SCALE, n. A scale in which the applied load is counter-poised, either directly or indirectly through a lever train, by a counter force induced axially in a helical spring, whose extension is translated by suitable means into an indication of weight value. Sometimes also colloquially called Spring Balance.

STANDARD WEIGHT, n. A weight expressly designed and constructed for testing weights of lower classes and sometimes also used in weighing operations demanding relatively high precision.

TARE, n. The weight of an empty container or vehicle, or of spools, cores or wrappings, or the allowance or deduction from gross weight made on account thereof.

WEIGHBEAM, n. In a scale of other than the automatic indicating or automatic recording types, that element whose angular position denotes the balance condition. In a more restricted sense, the device or assembly upon which, by the manipulation of poises and/or counterpoise weights, the applied load is counterpoised and its weight value indicated. Sometimes also colloquially called Beam.

WEIGHT

A survey of weighing techniques, including the various types of weight, spring, current, buoyancy and load-cell equipments.

M. H. ARONSON

WEIGHT is the force with which a mass is attracted toward the center of the earth by gravity. It is measured by applying an opposing force of known magnitude, which balances the unknown force (weight). Its importance in measurement cannot be overestimated—all measurements refer ultimately to the three fundamental measurements of length, time, and mass. The conversion factors for units of mass are given in Table 1.

There are six basic methods for weight measurement—that is, six basic types of opposing forces: (1) a known *weight*, (2) a *pneumatic* force, (3) *spring* force, (4) *bouyancy* force, (5) magnetic force due to *current*, and (6) reaction of an elastic solid, hydraulic or pneumatic *load cell*.

Weight Balances

The use of a known weight as the opposing force is perhaps the most accurate of all quantitative measurements because the force due to weight is determined directly by the invariable force of gravity. Weights are used in several different types of balances and scales, usually being compared on opposite side of a *weighbeam*.

Beam Balance Fundamentals

A few fundamental factors about levers and beam systems should be kept in mind when selecting or operating weight-balance systems. One is the relation between center-of-gravity of the system and sensitivity of the balance.

TABLE 1—CONVERSION FACTORS FOR UNITS OF MASS

Values in boldface are exact values

Units of mass less than pounds and kilograms

Unit		Grains	Apothecaries' scruples	Pennyweights	Avoirdupois drams	Apothecaries' drams	Avoirdupois ounces
1 grain	=	**1**	**0.05**	0.041 666 67	0.036 571 43	0.016 666 7	0.002 285 71
1 apothecary scruple	=	**20**	**1**	0.833 333 3	0.731 428 6	0.333 333	0.045 714 3
1 pennyweight	=	**24**	**1.2**	**1**	0.877 714 3	**0.4**	0.054 857 1
1 avoirdupois dram	=	**27.343 75**	**1.367 187 5**	1.139 323	**1**	0.455 729 2	**0.062 5**
1 apothecary dram	=	**60**	**3**	**2.5**	2.194 286	**1**	0.137 142 9
1 avoirdupois ounce	=	**437.5**	**21.875**	18.229 17	**16**	7.291 67	**1**
1 apothecary or troy ounce	=	**480**	**24**	**20**	17.554 28	**8**	1.097 142 9
1 apothecary or troy pound	=	**5 760**	**288**	**240**	210.651 4	**96**	13.165 714
1 avoirdupois pound	=	**7 000**	**350**	291.666 7	**256**	116.666 7	**16**
1 milligram	=	0.015 432 356	0.000 771 618	0.000 643 014 8	0.000 564 383 3	0.000 257 205 9	0.000 035 273 96
1 gram	=	15.432 356	0.771 618	0.643 014 85	0.564 383 3	0.257 205 9	0.035 273 96
1 kilogram	=	15 432.356	771.617 8	643.014 85	564.383 32	257.205 94	35.273 96

Unit		Apothecaries' or troy ounces	Apothecaries' or troy pounds	Avoirdupois pounds	Milligrams	Grams	Kilograms
1 grain	=	0.002 083 33	0.000 173 611 1	0.000 142 857 1	64.798 918	0.064 798 918	0.000 064 798 9
1 apothecary scruple	=	0.041 666 7	0.003 472 222	0.002 857 143	1 295.978 4	1.295 978 4	0.001 295 978
1 pennyweight	=	**0.05**	0.004 166 667	0.003 428 571	1 555.174 0	1.555 174 0	0.001 555 174
1 avoirdupois dram	=	0.056 966 146	0.004 747 178 8	**0.003 906 25**	1 771.845 4	1.771 845 4	0.001 771 845
1 apothecary dram	=	**0.125**	0.010 416 667	0.008 571 429	3 887.935 1	3.887 935 1	0.003 887 935
1 avoirdupois ounce	=	0.911 458 3	0.075 954 861	**0.062 5**	28 349.527	28.349 527	0.028 349 53
1 apothecary or troy ounce	=	**1**	0.083 333 33	0.068 571 43	31 103.481	31.103 481	0.031 103 48
1 apothecary or troy pound	=	**12**	**1**	0.822 857 1	373 241.77	373.241 77	0.373 241 77
1 avoirdupois pound	=	14.583 333	1.215 277 8	**1**	**453 592.427 7**	**453.592 427 7**	**0.453 592 427 7**
1 milligram	=	0.000 032 150 74	0.000 002 679 23	0.000 002 204 62	**1**	**0.001**	**0.000 001**
1 gram	=	0.032 150 74	0.002 679 23	0.002 204 62	**1 000**	**1**	**0.001**
1 kilogram	=	32.150 742	2.679 228 5	2.204 622 341	**1 000 000**	**1 000**	**1**

Units of mass greater than avoirdupois ounces

Units		Avoirdupois ounces	Avoirdupois pounds	Short hundredweights	Short tons	Long tons	Kilograms	Metric tons
1 avoirdupois ounce	=	**1**	**0.062 5**	**0.000 625**	**0.000 031 25**	0.000 027 901 79	0.028 349 53	0.000 028 349 53
1 avoirdupois pound	=	**16**	**1**	**0.01**	**0.000 5**	0.000 446 428 6	**0.453 592 427 7**	0.000 453 592 43
1 short hundredweight	=	**1 600**	**100**	**1**	**0.05**	0.044 642 86	45.359 243	0.045 359 243
1 short ton	=	**32 000**	**2 000**	**20**	**1**	0.892 857 1	907.184 86	0.907 184 86
1 long ton	=	**35 840**	**2 240**	**22.4**	**1.12**	**1**	1 016.047 04	1.016 047 04
1 kilogram	=	35.273 957	2.204 622 34	0.022 046 223	0.001 102 311 2	0.000 984 206 4	**1**	**0.001**
1 metric ton	=	35 273.957	2 204.622 34	22.046 223	1.102 311 2	0.984 206 40	**1 000**	**1**

The weighbeam has a fulcrum. The imaginary line, parallel to the beam, which passes through the fulcrum is often called a "range line." If the center of gravity of the weighing system is below this range line, any motion of the beam causes a pendulum-type restoring force, and the beam seeks a stable equilibrium point. The system is thus *stable* and *seeking*—that it, it seeks an equilibrium point. Analytical balances are stable and seeking, and usually have a means either for raising the center of gravity to increase the sensitivity or lowering it to reduce the sensitivity.

If the center of gravity of the system is above the range line, any deviation of the beam from equilibrium causes the system to go further out of balance; the system is unstable and goes out of balance in an accelerated manner. It is sometimes referred to as an *acceleration* balance.

If the center of gravity is on the range line, the balance has a theoretically infinite sensitivity, limited of course by friction in the pivot. It also has an important feature—it is insensitive to orientation and need not be level. This fact is used in some industrial scales, as will be shown. As the system has no restoring force, it is called a *dead system*, and requires some other means to effect a balance, such as a spring or torsion element.

Balance Sensitivity

The term "sensibility reciprocal" is used to define balance sensitivity. SR is the amount of weight that will cause a "noticeable" deflection of the weighbeam. As the term "noticeable" is vague, it is suggested that SR be the weight that will cause a deflection of 1/10" (or some precise amount, such as 1 mm) of the final indicator. (It appears from the literature that some manufacturers now employ this definition of SR. Others use a "1-division" change in rest point, but with no agreement on the division size.)

The 1/10" deflection requirement continues to be valid when beam deflection is sensed by an LVDT and output is connected to an indicator or recorder. The SR would then be the amount of weight that will cause 1/10" movement of the final display (pointer or pen).

TABLE 2—NBS WEIGHT CLASSIFICATIONS

Classification		Application
Precision Laboratory Standards		
	Class J	Microweight standards (microbalance work).
	Class M	High-precision scientific standards (reference, high-precision, and high-constancy work).
	Class S	Scientific standards (reference, calibration, and precision analytical work).
	Class S-1	Laboratory standards (routine analytical and precision nonmetric work).
Laboratory Weigths		
	Class P	Analytical and precise technical weights.
	Class Q	General laboratory, technical, and student weights.
	Class T	Utility weights.
Commercial Standards		
	Class A	State primary standards.
	Class B	State working standards.
	Class C	Test weights.
Trade Weights		Used in scale of commodities. Classes are listed in NBS Handbook 44.

Weight Tolerances

The precision of a weight balance depends on the tolerances of the set of weights used.

Allowable weight tolerances are established by the National Bureau of Standards (Circular 547, Section 1). The heavier weights have tolerances that are a percentage of the weight. The lighter weights have fixed tolerances, the most accurate (Class M) having an individual tolerance of 0.0054 mg.

Sensitivity Classification

Weight balances fall into four basic sensitivity classes—(1) *microbalances*, including high-sensitivity analytical balances, whose sensitivity is expressed in micrograms/division, (2) *milligram balances*, including most analytical balances, whose sensitivity is expressed in milligrams/division, (3) *gram balances*, whose sensitivity is expressed in grams/division, and (4) *ounce* and *pound* balances, including most industrial scales, whose sensitivity is expressed in ounces or pounds/division.

The microbalance achieves its sensitivity by use of precision elements such as sapphire knife edges and planes to reduce friction and by having the center of gravity very close to the range line. Effects of static electricity are minimized by use of metallized conducting glass and by grounding of all metallic elements via a binding post on the balance.

Application Classification

Weight balances also are commonly classified according to use—for example, analytical balances, assay balances, prescription balances, and many others.

Types of Weight Balances

In many balances the weights are compared at opposite ends of an *equal-arm weighbeam* (Figs. 1, 2, 4). In many scales the known weight can be given a variable moment by use of *unequal-arm weighbeams* or sliding weights (the term "scale" is itself derived from the graduations on weighbeam-type instruments), as in Figs. 6 and 7. The third basic type of weight balance varies the moment of the known weight by swinging it away from a fulcrum in a *pendulum* manner (Fig. 5).

Beam Ratio

Beam ratio, or beam arm ratio, refers to the effect of inequality in length of the two arms of an equal-arm weight balance. It is expressed in parts/million as follows: Suppose an equal-arm balance in equilibrium

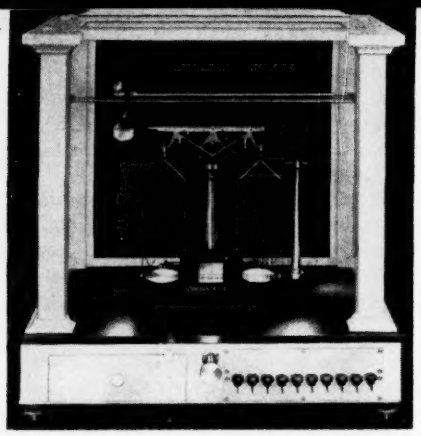

FIG. 1. TYPICAL analytical balance is enclosed equal-arm-weighbeam balance with microgram or milligram sensitivity. This one has SR of 2 ug/div; beam ratio of 5 ppm; projection-type readout indicator; keyboard for weight addition or removal. (Courtesy Wm. Ainsworth & Sons, Inc.)

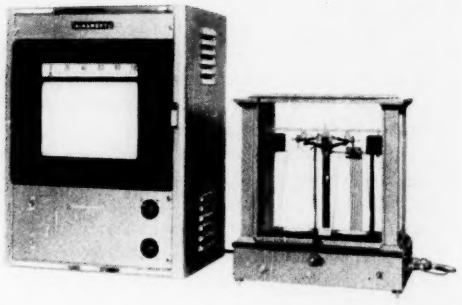

FIG. 2. This analytical balance uses LVDT on beam to develop signal for automatic recording. (Courtesy Wm. Ainsworth & Sons, Inc.)

has a 10-gram weight added to each pan, resulting in a reading of plus 2 divisions; when the weights are exchanged between pans the reading is minus 8 divisions. The average reading is minus 3 divisions. If the sensibility reciprocal (SR) is 10 ug/div (0.01 mg/div), 3 divisions represents 30 ug, which is 3 ppm of the 10-gram weight used. Hence the beam ratio is 3 ppm.

Note that the remaining 5-division swing of the indicator tells the inequality between the two weights—in this case 50 ug (the tolerance for Class-M 10-gram weights). Note how exchanging weights between pans tells *both* the beam ratio and the weight differences.

Commercial Features

The various features of weight balances are shown in the many commercial models available.

Fig. 1 shows a microbalance in which weights can be placed on the pan simply by touching the keys on a keyboard. This balance also has an optical projection system to magnify the pointer movement.

The most sensitive balances use no damping or air-damping. Liquid damping is the least common method.

Some balances can be supplied with *magnetic damping* of the weighbeam. The magnetic damper is an aluminum vane on the beam, which can move between the poles of magnets fixed to the case. Motion of the beam causes eddy currents in the vane. The eddy currents set up a magnetic field opposite to the fixed magnetic field, braking the motion and bringing the beam to equilibrium rapidly.

Undamped balances are usually read by noting the so-called turning point of the pointer as it moves across the graduations. The swing of a balance pointer on the first oscillation if no "kick" has been introduced will be approximately twice the rest point. The exact rest point can be determined from the swinging pointer by taking the mean of two readings to the left and one reading to the right (or vice versa) and adding algebraically, then dividing by two. This is common practice in reading a swinging undamped microbalance.

Fig. 2 shows a modern analytical balance with recorder output. Automatic recording permits weight *changes* to be examined, as in evaporation, diffusion, oxidation, absorption, drying, etc. The balance shown has a capacity of 200 grams, a sensibility reciprocal (SR) of 1 mg/div (0.1"), and over-all accuracy of ±0.2 mg over the automatic recording range. It also features automatic weight switching—that is, when recorder pen approaches the edge of the chart, a 100-mg increment is either added or taken off the pan automatically, which returns the pen to the opposite edge of the chart. A total of 4 grams can be handled automatically. Air damping is used.

The recording is done by attaching a linear variable differential transformer to the balance weighbeam. A similar recording technique has been reported by Dr. A. Peterson*. The Peterson technique increased the sensitivity of a milligram analytical balance so that fractional microgram weight changes were recordable.

Substitution Principle

In the balances shown in Fig. 3 the single sample pan and the weights are suspended from the same end of the beam. When a weight is placed on the pan, an equivalent amount of known weight is removed from the beam so that the total load remains constant. This is called the *substitution principle*. The weights, added or subtracted manually by dials, are totalled on a counter for direct readout and can be printed out (in some models) to 8 places. A projection readout unit increases the sensitivity.

Industrial Milligram and Gram Weight Balances

A line of industrial balances is shown in Fig. 4. A shows an even-arm solution balance for rapid weighing of solutions. B shows use of multiple

*Dr. Axel Peterson, "Analytical Balance Plus Differential Transformer Plus Recording Millivoltmeter Equals Sensitive Recording Microbalance," *INSTRUMENTS & AUTOMATION*, July, 1955, pages 1104-1106.

A B C

FIG. 3. BALANCES using substitution principle. A shows Mettler B-5; B shows Mettler K-7; C shows Ainsworth "Right-A-Weigh" with digital readout or printed readout to 7 places—0.1 mg in 199.9 grams.

beams, each carrying a different weight so that a large range can be covered without adding or removing weights. D shows a special moisture-determination balance wherein the weight is added to the beam via a chain connected to a calibrated dial. A heating element covers the pan; balance is indicated by a shadow-type vane.

Industrial Pound Weight-Balance Scales

High-load industrial weight-balance scales usually use compound levers or "pendulum" action.

Weight-balance type scales in which weights alone produce the restoring force, but which have dial indication, are shown in Fig. 5. Here the imposed load causes pendulum-type weights to swing out, producing a restoring moment of force. Accuracy of 0.1% is possible. Ranges are from several hundred to several thousand pounds; the large dial permits a 1500-lb scale with one-pound graduations.

Fig. 6 shows the way in which levers can be compounded to produce a weight-balance scale for heavy industrial loads, such as trucks or railroad cars.

Fig. 7 shows a weight-balance industrial scale controlling weight on a conveyor. Material on the weighbelt is balanced against a known movable weight on the weighbeam. Any deviation of the beam from balance operates one of two mercury switches, which in turn operate the bin gate to control the weight of material on the conveyor.

Pneumatic Balance

In all balances described thus far, weights were used to produce the force that balanced the weight of the unknown mass. Fig. 8 shows a scale that produces an opposing *pneumatic* force, using weighbeam technique.

Weight on the conveyor produces a downward force at point 7. This is balanced by an opposing pneumatic force at point 10. If the opposing forces are not equal, the beam is unbalanced, causing nozzle (9) to be covered or uncovered, raising or lowering the pneumatic pressure so that the forces are balanced; the

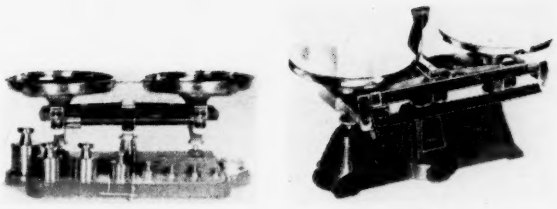

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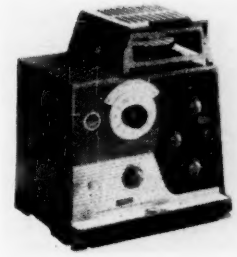
FIG. 4. TYPICAL industrial-type milligram and gram balances. A shows micrometer poise; B shows multiple beams for range extension; C shows balance in which weight is added by chain alone. (Courtesy Ohaus Scale Corp.)



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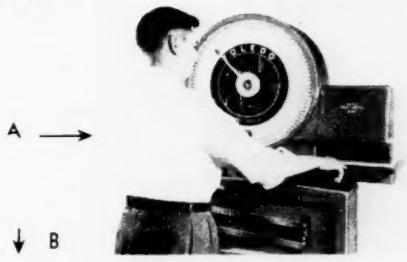

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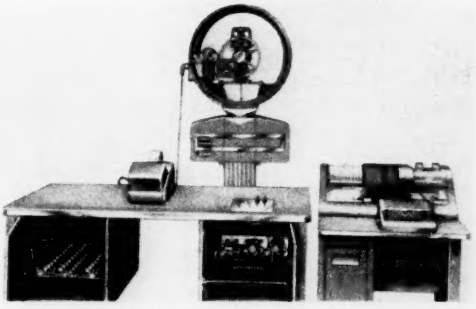
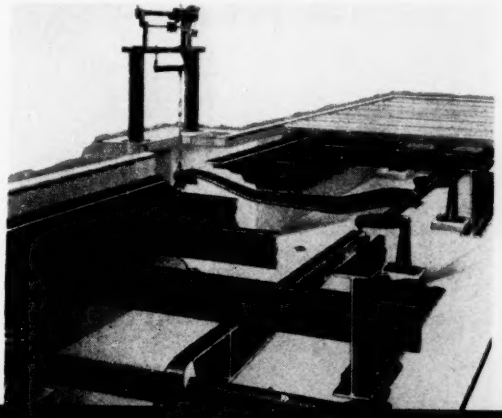


FIG. 5. PENDULUM-TYPE weight-balance scales. A shows a Toledo Scales instrument with printer; B shows Fairbanks, Morse system with printout and card punch.

FIG. 6. COMPOUND-LEVER weighbeam balance for heavy industrial use. (Courtesy Winslow Government Standard Scale Works.)



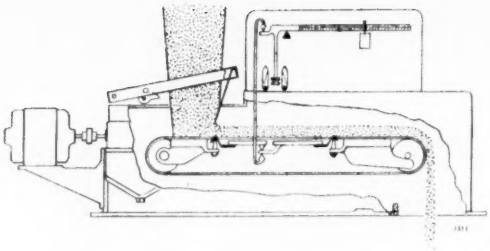


FIG. 7. MERCHEN scale feeder is weight-balance scale with control switches. (Courtesy Wallace & Tiernan, Inc.)

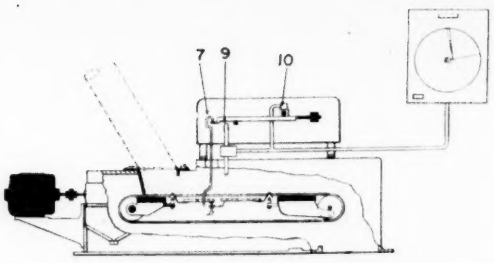


FIG. 8. MERCHEN pneumatic scale feeder is pneumatic-balance mechanism. (Courtesy Wallace & Tiernan, Inc.)

beam is again the equilibrium. At this time the pneumatic pressure will be exactly proportional to the weight.

The advantage of using a pneumatic pressure output is that the pneumatic force can be transmitted to remote indicators and used to control mechanisms such as the feeder gate shown in Fig. 8.

Spring Scales

The term "spring scale" applies to any weight instrument wherein the opposing force is developed by a spring element or spring action, including beam *deflection* (bending).

Spring Fundamentals

Centuries ago, Robert Hooke discovered that deflection of a spring-like material is proportional to load. Calibrated springs have been used ever since to measure load and weight. As springs are susceptible to several possible types of errors, it is important to know their limitations and accuracies.

The characteristics of a spring that can produce errors include:

1. *Deviation* of response from true linearity—that is, from Hooke's Law response. This occurs primarily at larger loads.

2. *Creep*, or plastic flow, which occurs when the spring is extended past its elastic limit. This causes a "permanent set"—that is, the spring does not recover completely when load is removed. There can also occur a slow elastic after-effect—that is, a slow deflection that occurs after the initial deflection and which looks like a set, but which recovers completely in a similar slow manner after the load is removed. This is called recoverable drift.

3. *Hysteresis*, the difference between the response in one direction (increasing load) and the other (decreasing load), even though the end points are the same. Hysteresis errors for usual spring materials are between 0.1 and 0.2% of the total deflection; for Iso-Elastic* it is 0.02%.

*Iso-Elastic is an alloy developed by John Chatillon & Sons.

FIG. 9. TYPICAL spring scales. Top shows simple push-pull steel-spring gage; bottom shows "Iso-Seal" dynamometers with Iso-Elastic springs for 0.5% accuracy. (Courtesy John Chatillon & Sons)

FIG. 10. INDUSTRIAL dynamometer in which beam deflection acts as opposing "spring" force. (Courtesy W. C. Dillon & Co.)

4. *Temperature error* due to thermal coefficient. This is the change in spring rate resulting from temperature change.

Table 3 lists the orders of magnitudes of these several effects, for various common spring materials.

Fig. 9 shows some scales using springs as the restoring-force element.

Dynamometers of the type shown in Fig. 10 are a type of spring scale wherein deflection of an alloy steel beam (only a few ten-thousandths of an inch) is translated by levers directly into dial indication of weight. This type of scale is used for weights in the range from a few hundred pounds up to 100,000 pounds or more. Accuracy is normally 2% of full scale. The range and accuracy make it suitable for many industrial applications—steel, parts, bins, trucks, loads, etc. These applications include torque, tension, traction and compression.

Fig. 11 shows use of the linear variable differential transformer with elastic members. In one weight-platform application, the weight-platform is opposed by a spring connected to an LVDT. The interesting feature of this system is that the primary winding of the LVDT receives a signal proportional to belt speed, while its core is positioned by the weight-spring combination. Hence the signal output of the LVDT is a mass-flow signal (lbs/sec). This signal is used to control a variable-speed drive which adjusts the speed of the conveyor to deliver any desired of amount of material per second.

TABLE 3—SPRING CHARACTERISTICS

Material	Temperature Coefficient of Modulus of Elasticity /°F
Spring Steel	-190×10^{-6}
Chrome Vanadium	-146×10^{-6}
Phosphor Bronze	-200×10^{-6}
Brass	-216×10^{-6}
Beryllium Copper	-194×10^{-6}
Iso Elastic	-15×10^{-6} to $+ 10 \times 10^{-6}$

	Drift in 1 Hour	Drift in 24 Hours
Spring Steel	0.08%	0.30 %
Iso-Elastic	0.01%	0.06 %
Spring Steel (½ Load)	0.02%	0.065%
Iso-Elastic (½ Load)	Not Detectable	0.01 %
	Creep at 200 F	Creep at 500 F
Spring Steel	0.25%	5 %
Iso-Elastic	0.02%	0.1 %

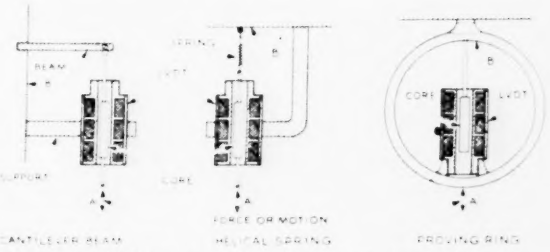


FIG. 11. LVDT use with elastic members. (Courtesy Schaevitz Engineering.)

Combination Weight and Spring Balances

The advantage of weight balance is accuracy; that of spring balance is rapidity of reading. Combinations of the two techniques are used to obtain relatively high accuracy with faster reading than can be obtained by weight-balance alone.

Fig. 12 shows a "Basic Weight Classifier" in which an equal-arm weighbeam is used to balance the unknown weight against a known desired weight. The *amount of unbalance* is indicated on a "Shadograph" indicator, which is a vane connected between two U-shaped torsion elements. Neither element is bent when the beam is in balance, but one or the other is bent when the beam is out of balance, producing the restoring force. Unbalance can be converted into binary-coded signal by attaching a coded dial with photocells to the indicator.

One feature of this system is that the center of gravity of the weighbeam element is on the range line, so that the scale need not be exactly level. Basic use is in rapid sorting, and a complete line of comparison weighers and sorters is available using this principle.

Combination weight-balance plus spring indication of the unbalance also is used in the balance shown in Fig. 13. Here again the desired weight of sample is placed on the pan on the left side, and the unknown on the right side. Unbalance deflects a delicate torsion member; the degree of unbalance is indicated on the scale, which is readable to 1 microgram in the 0-1 mg model. Other models are available to 0-2500

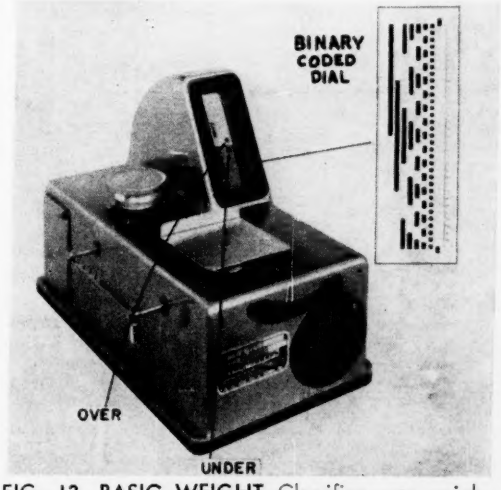


FIG. 12. BASIC WEIGHT Classifier uses weighbeam and spring technique to obtain accuracy plus speed. (Courtesy The Exact Weight Scale Co.)

FIG. 13. "SAUTER Ultra-Matic" precision balance. (Courtesy August Sauter of N. Y., Inc.)

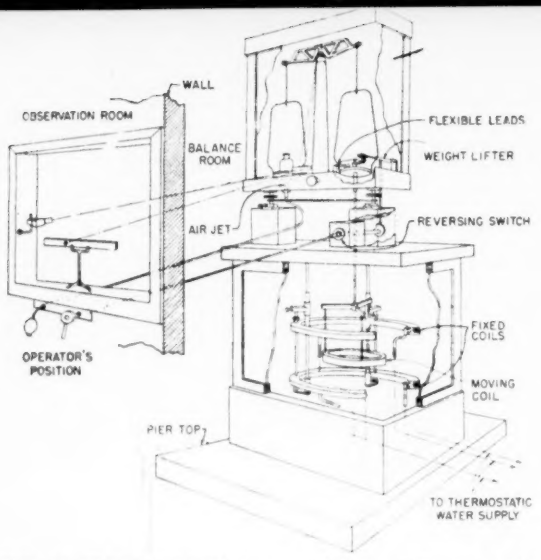


FIG. 14. THE RAYLEIGH current balance. (Courtesy the National Bureau of Standards).

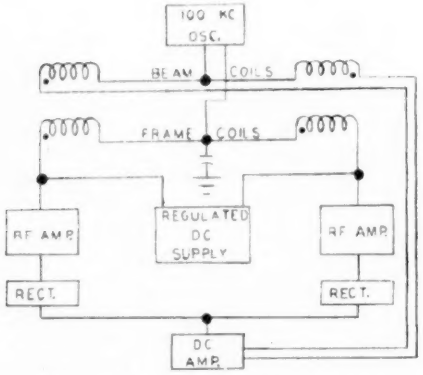


FIG. 15. Principle of 301 B balance.

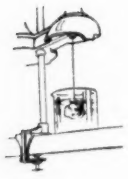
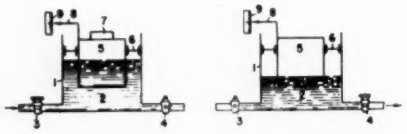


FIG. 16. TOP, buoyancy weighing with analytical balance. Below, principle for metering an exact amount of liquid using buoyancy. (Courtesy Gulf Research & Development Co.)



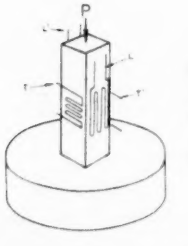


FIG. 17. STRAIN-GAGE load cell. Gages L and L' are load-sensing gages; T and T' are temperature-compensating gages. (Courtesy Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp.)

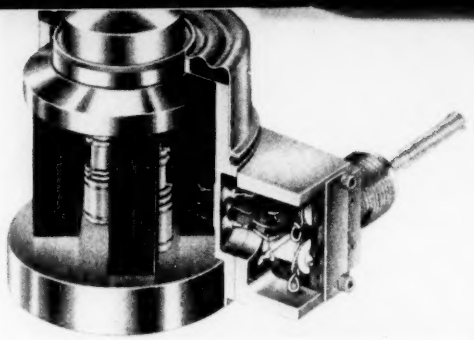


FIG. 18. MULTI-COLUMN strain-gage load cell. (Courtesy Cox & Stevens Div., Revere Corp. of America)

mg. Air damping is used. Note that analytical balance sensitivity is obtained with the rapid reading speed of a spring-type balance.

Current Balance

The standard ampere is established by a *current balance* (Fig. 14), which uses a coil hung from the weighpan of an analytical balance. This coil hangs within two stationary coils connected in series—but the connections to the fixed coils can be reversed. When current is on in one direction the moving coil pulls down. The balance is brought to equilibrium by counterbalance weights. When current is switched, the electromagnetic force acts to lift the coil and an exact compensating weight is placed on the weighpan to which the coil is attached. Thus the ampere is defind and established in terms of weight.

The 301 B of E-H Research Laboratories (Fig. 15) is an automatic analytical balance featuring a current-balance technique and 1-sec response time.

Four air-core coils are mounted on the balance—two at either end of the beam and the other two immediately underneath, attached to the frame. The 100-kc oscillator excites a mutual inductance bridge consisting of the 4 coils. This bridge measures the position of the beam with respect to the frame; discriminator action is obtained by rectifying and subtracting the two r-f outputs. The d-c signal so obtained is applied to the beam coils to restore the balance to null. The frame coils are excited by a regulated d-c power supply whose stability determines the accuracy (0.1%) over ranges of 30 to 3000 mg full scale.

Buoyancy Balance

Several types of analytical balances with high weigh-beams are available with special accessories for buoyancy weighing. These accessories include plummets of known volumes for use in measuring the specific gravity of liquids by buoyancy effect, as shown in Fig. 16. The volume of a mass can be measured by buoyancy if the specific gravity of the liquid is known.

Fig. 16 also shows a technique for metering an exact amount of liquid using bouyancy. A known weight is placed on the float at left and fluid is pumped into the unit until the indicator registers a given or "null" point. The inlet valve is then shut and the weight is removed. The outlet valve is then opened until the same "null" point is indicated. A weight of liquid exactly equal to that of the original weight will have been metered out.

FIG. 19. FORCE calibrator has precision strain-gage assembly. (Courtesy Gilmore Industries)

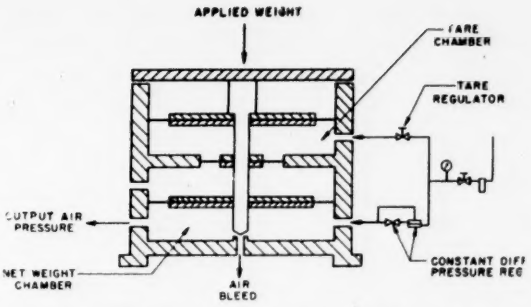


FIG. 20. PNEUMATIC weight transmitter. (Courtesy CDC Control Services, Inc.)

Load Cells

A load cell is an element that develops an electric, pneumatic, or hydraulic signal which is proportional to the load placed upon it.

The *strain-gage load cell* (Fig. 17) consists of a high-strength steel column on which a strain-gage matrix has been bonded. As a load is placed on the column, the column is compressed slightly and the fine-wire gage is strained uniformly with the steel column. This lessens the electrical resistance of the grid in proportion to the strain applied. Electronic instrumentation measures the change in resistance and coverts it into a signal proportional to the weight of the load applied to the cell*.

The multi-column strain-gage load cell shown in Fig. 18 has four strain gages bonded to each of four supporting columns, resulting in a high output voltage in a small-size cell.

Fig. 19 shows a "Portable Force Calibrator" which can be used to calibrate existing weight measuring systems. It has digital readout with accuracy of 0.1% of reading, or 0.1% of lowest range, whichever is greater. The indicator uses a continuous balance servo system and is calibrated with a precision strain-gage load cell for tension or compression.

Pneumatic load cells (Fig. 20) develop a pneumatic signal proportional to the applied load. Air pressure in the Net Weight Chamber will automatically adjust itself to develop an upward force exactly equal to the downward force of the applied weight. The Tare Chamber is used to cancel the dead weight load on the scale. Note absence of knife edges and levers, sources of hysteresis and friction. A common application is in weighing of bulk materials on conveyors and in proportioning. The pneumatic signal is particularly useful in pneumatic control systems.

Fig. 21 shows a "Ratio Totalizer" that accepts up to three input pneumatic signals and delivers an output pneumatic signal equal to the difference or ratio (products, proportions, etc.) between the inputs. This has many uses in weight control with pneumatic transmitters and control systems.

Hydraulic load cells (Fig. 22) use a closed liquid-filled system whose pressure is increased by applied load. The pressure causes a Bourdon-tube deflection. These are available in many sizes for industrial use, as shown in Fig. 23.

*Strain gage issue, *I&A*, March 1958; also book *Strain Gage Instrumentation*, Aronson and Nelson, Instruments Publishing Co., 1958.

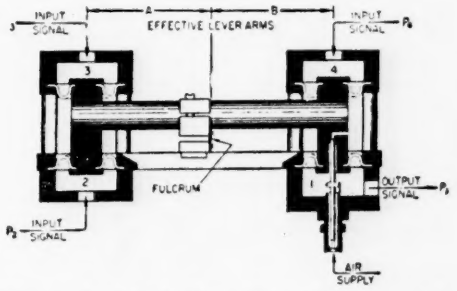


FIG. 21. RATIO Totalizer can give output signal equal to the difference or ratio or products of several input pneumatic signals. (Courtesy Hagan Chemicals & Controls, Inc.)

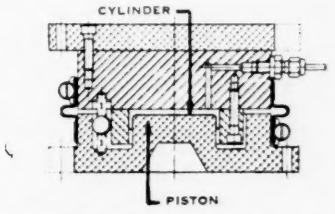


FIG. 22. WEIGH-PAC" hydraulic load cell. (Courtesy A. H. Emery Co.)

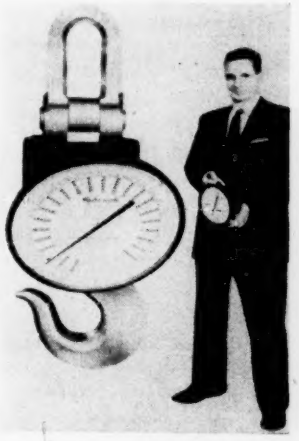


FIG. 23. WIDE range of hydraulic scales is available. (Courtesy Hydroway Scales, Inc.)

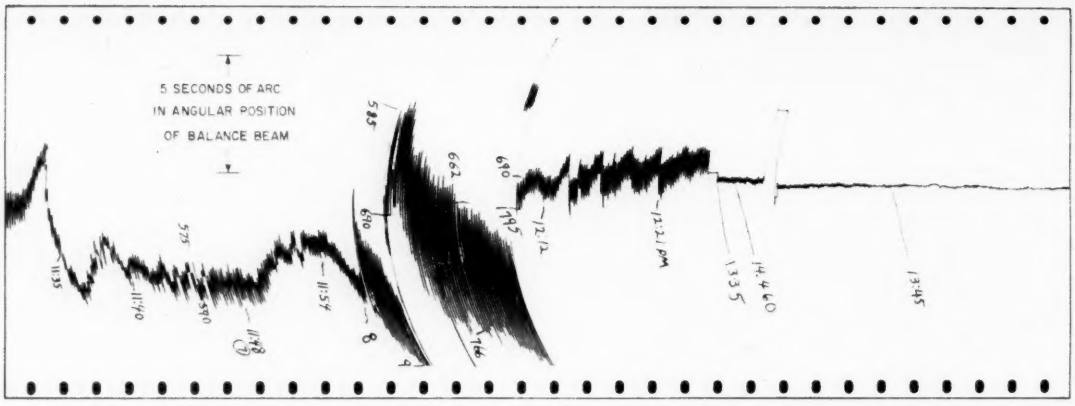


FIG. 1. CONTINUOUS RECORD of balance-beam motion made with automatic reading device. At left, balance was under the influence of unstable air masses caused by small thermal disturbances inside the balance case. At right, after the air had become quiescent, only low-level background "noise" is detected. Note that operation of the reader was suspended for about 70 minutes starting at approximately 12:24, beginning again at 13:35.

AUTOMATIC READER FOR

This photoelectric device, developed by the National Bureau of Standards, automatically and continously follows beam position of a precision balance, indicating it to 0.0001″ and increasing the readability sensitivity 40 times. Turning-point readings also are improved.

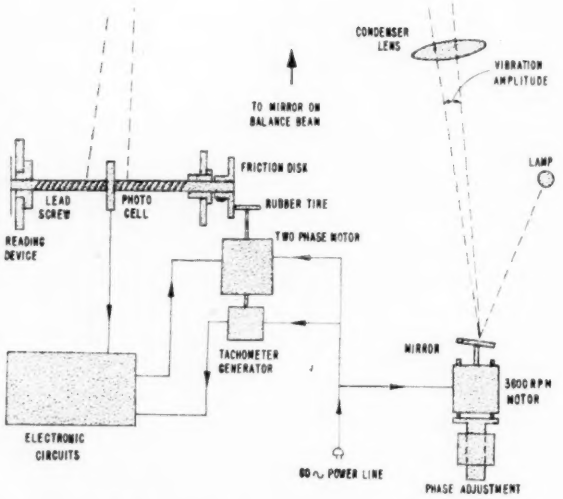


FIG. 2. BLOCK PLAN of the automatic reader for precision balances.

THIS PHOTOELECTRIC beam-position recorder and amplitude indicator was developed primarily as a research tool for obtaining a better understanding of balance errors; data from such studies are now being accumulated and will be used in working out improved balance designs. The photoelectric reader can provide data on the motion of the balance beam in two forms: (1) as a voltage whose magnitude represents the instantaneous position of the beam; or (2) as numerical data that represent turning points (extreme dimensions of the swing), from which masses can be calculated in conventional manner. A plot of output voltage (Fig. 1) can be used in evaluating the dynamic characteristics of the oscillating structure. The turning points are read off from a dial that ordinarily indicates the instantaneous position of the beam, but which holds for a brief interval after each turning point is reached.

Operation of Reader

A fixed, single-filament lamp shown at far right in Fig. 2 is the source of light. The light is first reflected

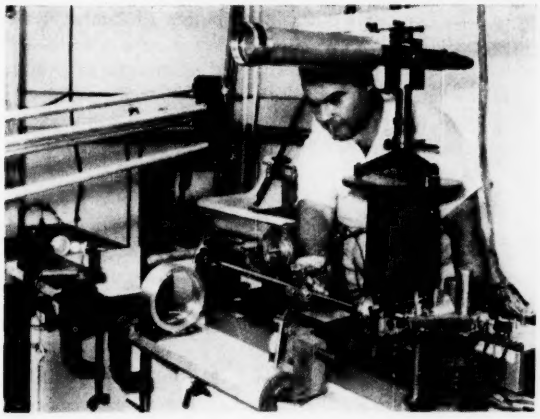


FIG. 3. PHOTOCELL IS here brought into initial alinement with the light beam. Telescope (above) is used for conventional visual observations of the balance beam.

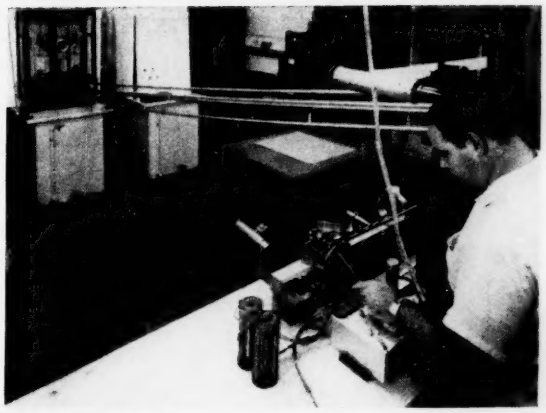


FIG. 4. READER IS on table in foreground; balance (upper left) is manipulated by long rods. The operator is noting the turning-point position of the balance beam as indicated on reader dial; the dial remains stationary for a short interval after each turning point because of built-in backlash.

PRECISION BALANCES

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from a rotating mirror whose plane is tilted slightly from the plane normal to the axis of rotation. A simple arrangement allows the angle of tilt to be set at any value up to 1 minute of arc. The mirror is rotated by a 3,600-rpm motor so the reflected light beam oscillates at 60 cps with a peak-to-peak amplitude adjustable from 0 to 2 minutes of arc. Phase can be adjusted with respect to the 60-cps power supply by rotating the motor in its mount.

After reflecting from the rotating mirror, the light beam passes through a condensing lens and proceeds to the balance. A mirror mounted on the balance frame directs the beam to a mirror on the moving arm (beam) of the balance. The light beam is reflected back to the photocell and produces an image of the lamp filament on the plane of the photocell slit; the slit and filament image are both about 3/64" wide.

This filament image oscillates at 60 cps through a distance of about 3/16". When the slit is located in the center of this vibration it is illuminated 120 times a second. However, if it is displaced from the center of the vibration, the electrical output of the photocell will contain a 60-cps component whose phase and magnitude depend, respectively, on the direction and amount of the off-center displacement.

The 60-cps component is filtered, amplified, and applied to the control winding of the two-phase motor. This motor then drives the lead screw in the proper direction to recenter the slit, provided that the supply voltage used to excite its reference winding is in appropriate phase with the 60-cps vibrations of the light beam. (Relative phase of the light beam is adjusted by rotating the 3,600-rpm motor.)

Thus the photocell (Fig. 3) is made to follow the swinging light beam to within about 0.0002", corresponding to 4×10^{-5} degree in the angular position of the balance arm. A tachometer generator provides a velocity-damping signal to prevent oscillations around the servo loop.

The position of the balance arm at any instant can be determined accurately from the angular position of the lead screw, which is coupled mechanically to the pickoff arm of a precision potentiometer. The lead screw is 20" long with a two-start thread, 10 pitch, ground from SAE 6150 steel hardened to Rockwell c55. It has a 0.0004" lead error fairly well distributed along

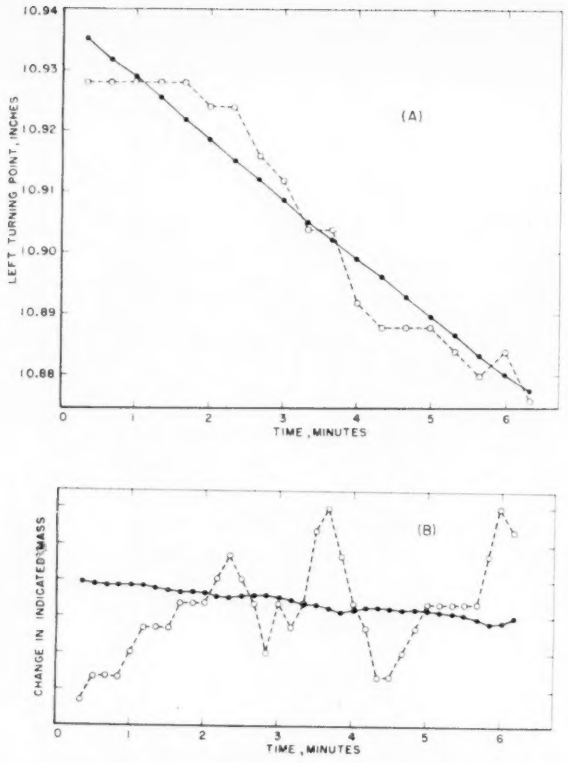

FIG. 5. A SHOWS data obtained from observations of a high-precision balance by conventional visual method (open circles) and by use of new photoelectric reader (black circles). B shows the corresponding computed values (using both left and right turning points) of the indicated mass.

its length, and is driven by a rubber tire and friction disk. The plane of the thrust bearing supporting the disk provides a reference from which displacement measurements of the photocell are made.

The reading dial at the left end of the lead screw (Fig. 4) has 100 graduations spaced about $\frac{1}{8}$" apart, each representing 0.001" of photocell displacement. This dial has one turn of free play so that it remains motionless for one revolution of the lead screw when the latter reverses direction. During this interval the turning-point reading remains unchanged, permitting the operator to make an accurate estimate of the extreme position of the photocell to 1/10 of a division, or 0.0001".

Background Noise

Zero stability of the apparatus, determined from observations on a light beam reflected from an arrested (and therefore presumably motionless) balance, is about 2 microinches per minute. This drift changes direction roughly twice daily, and may therefore be associated with some diurnal motion of the building or piers. There are occasional bursts of "noise" of about ±0.0003", some of which have been correlated with starting and stopping of building elevators. However, the total effect of all noise (see extreme right of Fig. 1) is not considered serious enough to warrant additional noise studies at this time.

Comparison with Conventional Reading Method

The effectiveness of the automatic reader as a tool for investigating the errors of precision balances rests on the considerable improvement in reading accuracy that it provides. This improvement appears clearly from the results of a test in which readings were taken simultaneously by the old and new methods. An experienced telescope observer made readings "on the fly" of the turning points in the moving image of a millimeter scale, reading directly to millimeters and estimating tenths of millimeters. Another observer read off the turning points from the motionless dial of the photoelectric device, reading directly to thousandths of an inch. Results are shown in Fig. 5A. The dial readings produced the smoother curve. Calculations of mass made from these turning points appear in Fig. 5B. Note that many readings by eye would have to be made and averaged to achieve the accuracy of the photoelectric reader. Hence readings can be made more rapidly with the latter, reducing temperature-transient errors, a factor in precise work.

Errors in Precision Mass Measurements

Major errors in precision mass measurements are due to small changes in temperature and humidity that occur during the course of the experiment. The automatic reader makes it possible to increase the speed of balance operations by from 5 to 10 times and thus shortens the interval during which these changes in ambient conditions can act. Faster operation also increases the "on scale" range of balance; this permits the use of larger and hence more accurate weights. The disadvantage of high-speed operation is that it ordinarily results in losses of readability and deflection sensitivity. However, the high reading sensitivity of the present instrument more than compensates for these losses.

The reader is being used currently to evaluate mechanical features that are under consideration for inclusion in a short-period high-precision automatic weighing system. A number of useful results already have been obtained. In one study, for example, the device has been used to show the effects of errors associated with a certain type of arrestment mechanism, while another has shown the reloading error in a balance of one design when operated without arrestment.

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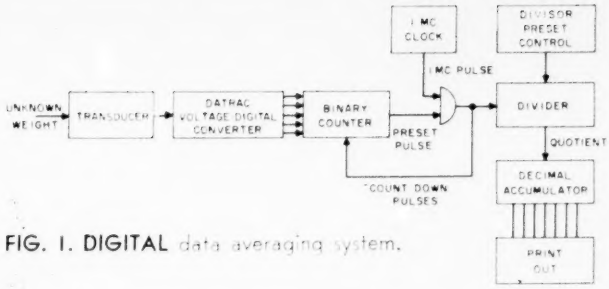

FIG. 1. DIGITAL data averaging system.

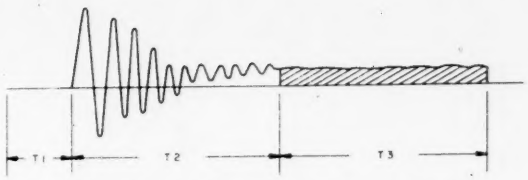

FIG. 2. TYPICAL SIGNAL INPUT. T1 is pre-measurement delay; T2 is high-frequency transients interval; T3 is low-frequency transients interval. Shaded area shows available averaging time.

WEIGHING FAST FREIGHT

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A "WEIGHTRAC" system for weighing rolling moving freight is shown in Fig. 1. The unknown weight is monitored at the input by a conventional load cell. The voltage output from this cell is proportional to the weight of the vehicle, modulated by any vibrations in the scale mechanisms and oscillations in the vehicle being monitored. This weight information is sampled approximately 500 times (per vehicle) by the converter to effect 500 digital codes that are transmitted through parallel lines to a binary counter. Subsequent to each counter preset operation, a gate is opened which passes that number of 1-megacycle pulses which are necessary to run the counter backwards to zero.

The gated clock pulses employed for count down are routed through a digital divider circuit and into a decimal accumulator. The division factor is set equal to the number of samples constituting one measurement (500) so that the total number of pulses received at the accumulator input is the digital average of the 500 samples. When all 500 quotients have been accumulated, their binary-coded decimal sum is fed to a printout where the four-decimal digit average is displayed as an accurate measurement of the unknown weight.

A typical voltage input from the transducer is shown in Fig. 2. The T1 interval (pre-measurement delay) is the time required for one car to move off the weighing mechanism and for the next to move on. When the vehicle to be weighed moves onto the transducing apparatus, its motions and weight produce vibrations which result in noise transients of considerable magnitude and duration; these are shown in the interval marked T2.

The transient interval T2 occupies a major portion of the time the vehicle is on the weighing apparatus when the vehicle moves at high speeds; thus the available sampling time is limited. While the high digitizing speed of the DATRAC would permit 500 samples to be taken in a transient-free interval (T3) of less than 12.5 milliseconds, logic operations required between data samples in the present configuration require a total sample period of two milliseconds per sample. Consequently, the over-all measurement interval cannot be less than one second.

The purpose behind the averaging approach is to filter out the low-frequency noise that is always present during the weighing time, even after the vibration-produced transients have disappeared. This low-frequency noise varies from two to six cps. Sampling this signal 500 times, which is tantamount to continuous averaging, eliminates the effects of input dynamics. The entire system up to the print-out mechanism is essentially a complex non-linear filter wherein operational digital techniques* are employed to average binary data.

If the dynamic data is to be averaged out of the signal, each measurement must be made as accurately as possible. Pen recordings of the load-cell output showed that the oscillation frequencies and amplitudes were such that accuracy could not possibly be obtained with a digitizing interval of more than 50 microseconds. A slower conversion speed would result in some of the 500 samples being accurate and others being inaccurate, which would cause an over-all degradation in final measurement accuracy.

The problems encountered in this application, such as noise transients and rapidly changing dynamic data are, to some extent, characteristics of every industrial data-handling application. Unless this fact is recognized, as a result of more thorough investigations of process dynamics and data transmission problems, analog-to-digital converters which purport high accuracy will continue to supply industry with inaccurate or insufficient information. The real and significant advantages offered by analog-to-digital conversion can be realized only through high-speed implementation.

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FIG. 1. LOAD CELL supporting a batching tank.

Batch Weighing

Automatic batch-weighing equipment is now available for complete automation of batching programs involving mixtures of many ingredients added at different times, plus equipment operation between steps.

A BATCH-WEIGHING SYSTEM should have a weight-sensing element with the following qualities: It should be small, light, moisture-proof, corrosion and shock-resistant. Its output should be linear and stable (repeatable). It must retain these characteristics over a reasonable range of temperature. Adequate frequency response, ability to withstand overloads, and long-term stability without maintenance also are important. Operation in hazardous environments may make low operating voltages and currents a requirement. Further, since most weight applications require the weights of more than one element, it must be possible to sum outputs.

Strain-Gage Load Cell

Let us consider the Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton SR-4 load cell with respect to these specifications. The load cell (Fig. 1) senses strain in a short metal column by a group of bonded-filament strain gages affixed to the column. As the column is designed to operate at relatively low stress levels, strain is proportional to stress; resistance change can be calibrated in terms of load.

As the design strain level is well below the proportional limit, Hooke's law applies. This is modified to some extent by Poisson's effect and the fact that the modulus of steel changes with stress. The characteristic of a straight column cell is parabolic, but the deviation from the best-fit straight line (as observed over the past years) runs below 0.1% of full scale at the point of maximum nonlinearity.

Over the past fifteen years several steel and nonferrous alloys have been tested for load-cell use. Only a few have been found to combine the proper linearity and creep characteristics with those of strength and homogeneity. Strain-gage technology has progressed to the state where non-repeatability is considered negligible. This is due mainly to the technique for applying the gage to the column. Reproducibility of electrical output versus applied load on a short term basis is readily made 1 part in 400 and, with certain manufacturing selection, 1 part in 10,000.

Temperature Effects

There should be no change in output with temperature, under load or at no load. No-load temperature compensation is attained by applying four strain-gages to the column and connecting them in a four-arm bridge. The four gages are chosen to have equal thermal coefficients of resistivity, thus maintaining the net bridge resistance change with temperature to a minimum. Some small bridge-balance change is observed because gage resistances and thermal coefficients are not exactly equal and because the thermal coefficient of the column is different from that of the gages; compensation for this effect has produced a standard line of cells where temperature effect on zero load is less than 0.0015% of full scale.

Temperature effect on output under load is caused primarily by change in Young's modulus with temperature. In steel, this is in the vicinity of +2% per 100F°. Compensation is accomplished by placing a temperature-sensitive resistor in series with the input leads of the bridge. When the value of this resistance and its thermal coefficient are chosen properly, and the resistor is in such a location that it is at the same temperature as the column, the bridge output will be temperature stabilized. Thus, it is possible to guarantee a temperature effect on sensitivity (output) to 0.0008% of load per Fahrenheit degree.

Column Characteristics

Design deflections for column-type cells run in the vicinity of 4 to 6 thousandths of an inch. Therefore, in a common case (50,000-pound load cell), the spring constant is approximately 10^7 pounds per inch, and the frequency response is flat to 1000 cps. The natural mechanical frequency is 5000 cps.

SR-4 load cells are rated conservatively as to effects

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ng with Load Cells

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FIG. 2. SPECIAL BATCHING controller. Batching controller can control 12 ingredients as to weight and sequence. Fail-safe system prevents either under or over weight.

of overloads. An overload up to two times the cell capacity will not damage the cells. Between 120% and 150% of rated load, slight zero shifts may be observed but the measuring qualities of the cells will not be impaired. In this overload range the zero shift is believed due to the gage taking a new set on the column. Zero shifts always will be experienced between 150% and 200% of rated load. Cells will be damaged if these loads are applied repeatedly. Further, there is the danger that calibration will be affected.

Electrical Parameters

Operation of BLH load cells is generally permissible in explosive atmospheres or other hazardous environments. The input voltage to the cells is between 6 and 10 volts. Bridges used in most cells are 120 ohms, so current is less than 100 milliamperes. Power requirements never run higher than 300 milliwatts.

The cells are small; the most widely used 100,000-lb compression cell is 7⅝" high and 5" in diameter. Weight is approximately 21 lb.

The cells are moisture proof. Though operation under water is scarcely recommended, all seams and joints are welded or brazed together during cell assembly, lead wires between cable entry box and cell go through a hermetic glass-to-meal seal, and the cable entry box is filled with potting compound after attachment of the cable. SR-4 cells are in use where the atmosphere is corrosive and where the cells are in contact with corrosive chemicals.

Maintenance is negligible because there are no moving parts in the usual sense of the term. The gage bond does not deteriorate; no knowledge of cell failures due to wear exists.

Summation of outputs is handled easily. When a-c excitation is used, outputs can be added directly by placing them in a series string and reading the total output directly. When using d-c excitation, cells are usually paralleled, the total output reading being an average which can be calibrated in terms of the total load.

Instrumentation

The signal output of the load cell can be amplified and observed on a dial-type meter, or used to energize relays. Although direct amplification systems are inexpensive, their accuracies are only 1 or 2%.

More commonly, voltage null-balancing type instrumentation is used with two bridges—one in the instrument and the other in the transducer. The difference in voltage between the two bridges is amplified and used to power a motor which drives a slide-wire contact in a direction which reduces the difference signal to zero. This null-balance method is in extensive use, yielding instrument accuracies commensurate with those of the transducer.

Equipments using this principle are available (Fig. 2) for control of up to twenty-four ingredients. The sequence of batching of the ingredients can be changed quickly. Manual, semi-automatic or completely automatic operation is possible whereby the instrument is programmed to introduce all ingredients at proper sequence and according to the weights determined by formula.

Fail-safe features protect against power failure, empty hoppers before the quantity of ingredients desired is reached, valve or gate sticking, etc.

The following procedure used by Phillips Chemical Company illustrates an automatic program:

1. 25% caustic solution is introduced.
2. 3500 pounds of 6% caustic is weighed in.
3. 16,000 pounds of water and steam are weighed in.
4. 5,000 pounds of resin and soap are weighed in. As the soap is added, the agitator starts and continues until almost all of the soap is in. During the last few seconds, the final increment of soap is added at a slow rate.
5. Timing phase. The agitator operates for a preset interval.
6. 31,500 pounds of water are weighed into tank; agitator operates until last few seconds.
7. 427 pounds of KCL are weighed into a smaller intermediate hopper.
8. 107 pounds of Tamel-N are weighed into hopper.
9. Agitator starts and small hopper dumps. Agitator continues for preset interval.
10. Agitator stops and alarm is sounded for operator to take sample for analysis.
11. When analysis is complete, operator presses re-start button. Agitator operates.
12. Pump transfers batch into one of two storage tanks.

This system will repeat weighings with accuracy variation no greater than ± 0.10%.

Weighing While Conveying

Automatic weighing while conveying can have many advantages over batch weighing, including savings in space and cost for hoppers and feeding equipment. Integrating scales can weigh to within ±0.5%.

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AUTOMATIC WEIGHING while conveying usually means applying an integrating scale to a belt conveyor where one or more of the existing conveyor idlers transmit the *weight* of a known length of the conveyor belt and its load to the weighing device. A belt speed pickup provides a signal proportional to belt *speed*. The signals from the scale and belt speed pickup are fed into an integrating device, which essentially multiplies weight per foot by feet per minute in order to obtain the weight which has passed over the unit in a given period of time.

Accuracy

The system accuracy of a well designed and maintained integrating conveyor scale can be 0.5% if the following features are observed:

1. The unit should have provisions for balancing out the light and heavy sections of the conveyor belt when it is running empty. This requires an integrating device which can run in the reverse direction when a lighter-than-average section of belt is passing over the weighed section of the conveyor. This eliminates *low-load errors*.

2. The belt speed pickup should be driven by the *carrying* strand of the conveyor belt at a point adjacent to the weighed section of conveyor, rather than being driven by the return strand. This eliminates *belt-tension errors*.

3. The conveyor idlers that are on the scale should be supported with minimum deflection in relation to the fixed idlers on the conveyor frame. This eliminates *deflection errors*.

4. The weighing idlers should be restrained from moving laterally and longitudinally with respect to the conveyor in order to avoid force couples which impair weighing accuracy under certain conditions. This eliminates *lateral-motion errors*.

Low-Load Errors

Some integrating scales have an integrator which cannot run in a reverse direction. As these units do not integrate near the zero point, an arbitrary zero is set by placing weights equal to approximately 10% of full capacity on the scale and then adjusting the integrator so that it records that load correctly. The span setting is then made by placing a higher load on the scale and making certain that the difference in the two readings is correct.

Errors can occur at low flows due to the fact that the integrator cannot move until a fairly large percentage of the rated capacity is flowing over the scale. Thus, a leading increment of material at the beginning of load application is lost, as is a trailing increment.

One of the most common errors is *zero drift*. When the integrator can run in a reverse direction it is easy to check zero when the belt is running without load by noting whether the integrator is travelling forward or reverse, or whether it is standing still, as it should.

Belt-Tension Errors

When the belt-speed pickup is mounted on the return strand of the conveyor belt, it runs at a lower speed than the belt across the scale when the belt is carrying the load being integrated. This is because the carrying strand of the belt is under tension and is stretched, whereas the return strand is relaxed and unstretched. Consequently more feet of belt per minute pass over a point on the weighing strand when the belt is under load than pass over the belt-speed pickup pulley or a point on the return strand. In other words, the stretched section moves at higher velocity than the relaxed section. Hence the belt speed pickup should be on carrying strand of the belt (adjacent to the scale) if speed error is to be avoided.

Deflection Errors

Some scales that use mechanical techniques, such as levers, permit deflection of the weigh idlers (scale) below the stationary idler (platform) at high loads. This motion of the weigh idler below the plane of the stationary idlers can result in error because a smaller percentage of the load is supported on the weighing mechanism. This error results both from the belt tension and the "beam effect" on the belt.

Some manufacturers recommend use of a so-called "constant belt-tension device." Such a device will take up the stretch in the belt but will not eliminate the change in belt tension; the errors are made more repeatable but are not eliminated.

The "beam effect" of a conveyor refers to the fact

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that when the weighing idlers are out of plane, the conveyor belt acts as a beam partially supported by the fixed idlers adjacent to the scale and partially supported by the scale idlers. This "beam strength" of a rubber conveyor belt will vary as much as 20-30% with normal temperature changes and conditions of flexing. If the deflection in the weigh roll support becomes so great that the restoring force of the belt is as much as 20% of the restoring force of the weighing device, a 20% change in the characteristics of the belt would introduce a 4% error in weighing. If we wish to achieve a maximum allowable error of 0.5%, the belt errors due to beam effect should be kept to approximately 0.1% with restoring force in the belt no greater than 0.5-1% of the total restoring force.

The deflection errors discussed are caused by deflection of the weighing mechanism. Load cells, which are inherently low-deflection devices, have insignificant errors of this type.

Electrohydraulic Actuator

An addition to the two previous articles on "Response of Combination Valve Actuators."

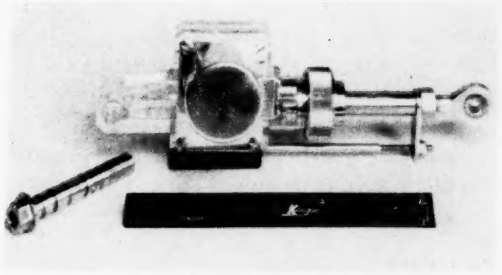


FIG. 1. THE KEARFOTT 6100 actuator.

Kearfott 6100 Actuator

The Kearfott 6100 servo valve is shown in Fig. 1.

Fig. 2 shows the operation of the electrohydraulic valve. Fluid under supply pressure (500 to 3000 psi) passes through fixed orifices to the chamber at either end of the spool. The spool has two passages leading to the two variable orifices located at either side of the spool's center line. A slider fork, part of the motor armature, closes the two variable orifices at null. The torque motor consists of a permanent magnet flux field, two field coil windings, the armature and a field return structure. The armature is pivoted. The only moving parts are the spool and the torque-motor armature.

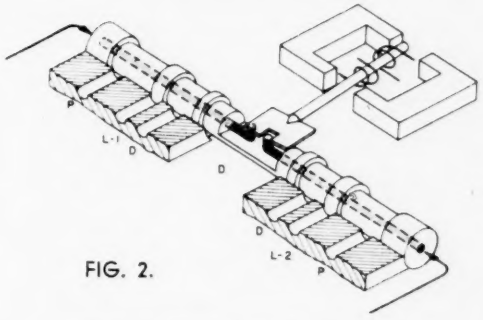


FIG. 2.

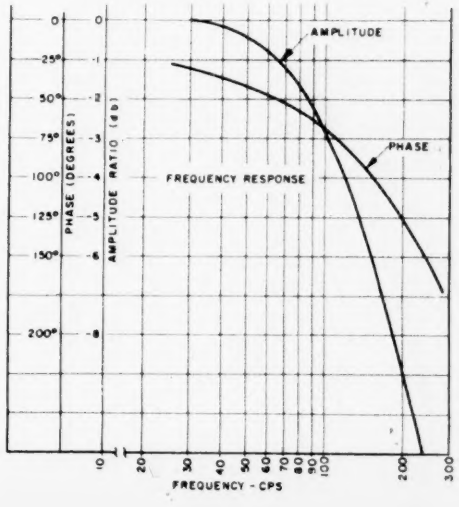
An increased current flow through either winding displaces the armature about the pivot and moves the slider fork. The slider movement uncovers one variable orifice. Flow of fluid through this uncovered orifice lowers the pressure in one spool chamber; higher pressure in the other chamber moves the spool. The spool continues moving and stops when the exposed orifice slides under the fork. The pressures in each of the chambers at the end of the spool will then be at equilibrium. Movement of the spool to the right connects the supply pressure port P with load port L_1. Similarly, load port L_2 is connected with drain port D.

Equalizing the flow of current through the two windings restores the slider to the center or null position.

Fig. 3 shows the response of the 6100 servo valve.

Characteristics include: Quiescent flow—.05-.15 gpm; supply pressure—500 to 3000 psi; flow rate range—0.15-10 gpm; Weight—22 ounces; differential current—±15 milliamps; d-c resistance—3500 ohms; natural frequency—350 cps.

FIG. 3. FREQUENCY response.



Manometric Pressure Measurement

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For precision pressure measurement, correction for scale expansion, gravity, and fluid density, capillarity and compressibility may be required. Here is a technique for introducing all these corrections simply by adjustment of well diameter.

FIG. 1. WELL-TYPE manometer.

PRESSURE is one of the two most common measurements, the other being temperature. The manometer (Fig. 1) is the most common instrument for precision pressure measurement—yet the corrections essential to realize accuracy are not completely understood by many.

The relation between pressure (P) and manometer reading (h) in a well-type manometer is as follows:

$$h = \frac{P}{(M/V)g} \qquad (1)$$

where h is the distance between manometer minisci (cm or in); P is pressure (dynes/sq cm or poundals/sq in); M/V is density of manometer fluid (gm/cu cm or lb/cu in); g is acceleration of gravity (cm/sec^2 or in/sec^2).

Sources of Error

This equation shows that h is a measure of P only where g and M/V (density) are constant. The density will remain constant only at constant temperature; temperature change will cause not only a density change but also a scale expansion change which can be significant in long scales when large temperature differentials occur.

The value of g depends on location.

In addition to these two temperature effects and the gravitational effect, errors also can be caused by *capillarity* and *compressibility* of the fluid.

Although scale-expansion corrections are sometimes made by referring to charts or tables, or by correcting the scale itself, the other factors have not always been kept in mind. A technique for reducing *all* these errors to negligible values will be described.

Use of Tables, Charts, and Corrected Scales

The scale expansion due to a temperature change is:

$$s\ (t - t_o)\ h$$

where s is the linear coefficient of thermal expansion of the scale material; t is local temperature; t_o is reference temperature at which the scale reads correctly.

This correction can be used only if a uniform scale is used, but it often is tabulated for quick access to the correction factor. It also can be incorporated into the scale itself by adding to each scale increment the correction for one temperature. However, certification or verification of such a nonlinear scale is a difficult and costly procedure (a scale of 12″ length graduated in tenths of inches requires 121 separate measurements of non-standard lengths).

A more direct approach to scale-expansion correction is to vary the effective diameter of the well, as will be described. This same technique—which makes the

change in level in the cistern equal to the desired correction—can be used to correct for density and gravity changes also.

Density and Gravity Corrections

Any fluid-density and gravity-force change from standard or calibrated conditions can cause error. The reading error per unit of scale is:

$$C = \frac{(M_s V)_s - (M V)_u}{(M V)_u} + \frac{g_s - g}{g}$$

$$C = \frac{(M V)_s}{(M V)_u} + \frac{g_s}{g} - 2 \qquad (2)$$

where $(M V)_s$ is the fluid density at standard conditions; $M V$ is density at local conditions; g_s is the acceleration of gravity at standard conditions; g the acceleration at local conditions.

Example: Suppose we have a mercury manometer at Chicago, and that it is to be used at 75° F.

The g at Chicago is 980.278 cm/sec².

Standard g (45° latitude and sea level) is 980.665 cm/sec² (32.1740 ft/sec²).

Standard mercury density* (specific gravity of mercury at 0° C) is 13.5951.

Density of mercury at 75° C is 13.5360.

$$C = \frac{13.5951}{13.5360} + \frac{980.665}{980.278} - 2$$

$$= 0.0047534$$

Note that this is a correction factor of 0.4%. These corrections can easily amount to 0.1" in a 30" column for various locations and temperature conditions throughout the USA.

We can use a scale graduated in *standard units* of length and apply this correction simply by adjusting the cistern diameter so that the change in level in the cistern exactly equals C. This technique consists of establishing the ratio between the internal diameters of the two manometer legs so that the change in level in one leg equals the desired correction for temperature and gravity (and also for other factors).

Establishing The Diameter Ratio

The relation between leg diameter and level change (Fig. 2) is

$$d^2/D^2 = H/h \qquad (3)$$

where D is inside diameter (ID) of larger well; d is ID of smaller well; H is cistern level change; h the reading level change. Hence the cistern diameter is

$$D = \sqrt{d^2 h/H} \qquad (4)$$

Example: Using the Chicago example, we wish the level change H in the cistern to be 0.0047534" for each 1" change in h. The ID of the manometer leg is 0.500".

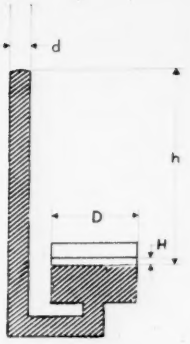

FIG. 2. LEVELS and diameters in well-type manometers.

h is 1 inch because we wish to apply the correction per inch of reading-leg height. Using these values in (4):

$$D = \sqrt{(0.5)^2 / 0.0047534}$$

$$= 7.2521" \pm 0.0005"$$

The tolerance figure results from the fact that precision bore tube can be obtained to an ID accuracy of 0.0005". This variation in D can be shown to cause a *maximum error* in h of less than ±0.00001" per inch of reading in the selected manometer.

Compressibility and Capillarity Correction

The compressibility correction is nonlinear—the higher the column the greater the compression of the fluid. This correction also can be made by changing the diameter of the cistern, as will be described.

The capillarity correction is a constant depending only on the surface tension of the fluid. This also can be taken care of in the cistern, being simply a vernier displacer like a zero correction.

Technique

The technique for adjustment of the well diameter is simple. As a matter of practice and convenience the area of the well is deliberately made oversize, after which the area is corrected by inserting a plug of known diameter. This provides the correction for one fixed local gravity and temperature. Compressibility and sealing column error* are corrected by tapering the plug, and capillarity by providing a vernier on the plug and using it as a displacer. It should be noted that the plug acts only as a displacer when correcting for capillarity. All other functions of the plug are as a convenient means of maintaining the area ratios.

The corrections described can easily amount to 0.1" in a 30" manometer. As this is within reading tolerance even without any optical reading aid, the corrections should be kept in mind and applied or incorporated as necessary.

Some manometers have reading aids that permit reading to 0.001". It is obvious that all the corrections described must be applied if readings to this accuracy are to have any meaning.

*When water is used, the standard density is the specific gravity of water at 4°C (39.2°F).

*Sealing column refers to the column of liquid on top of the mercury in the well. Note: all correction techniques described are covered by appropriate patent applications.

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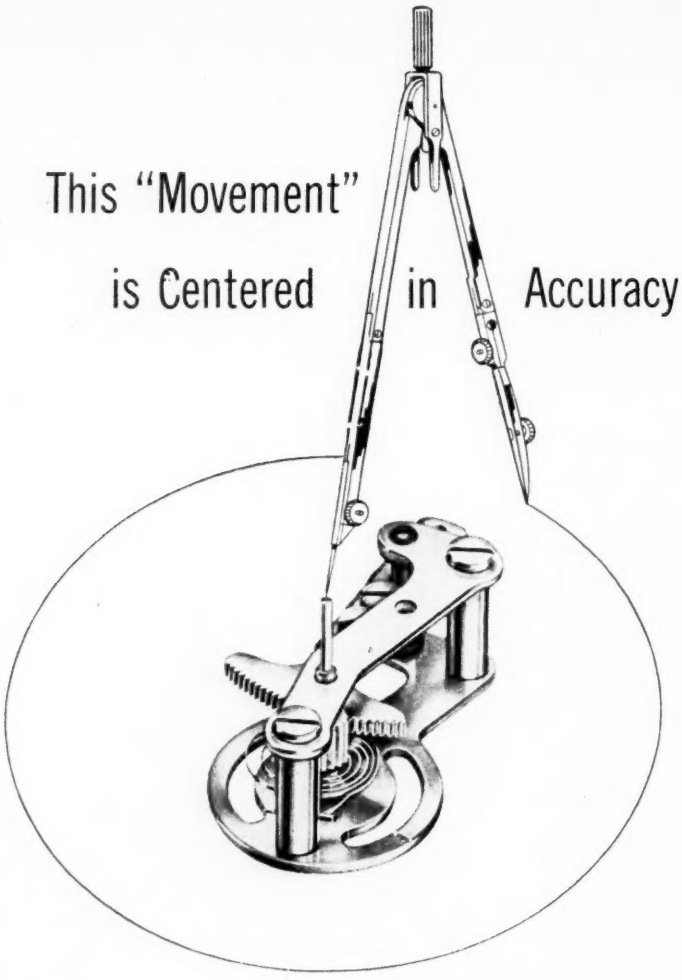

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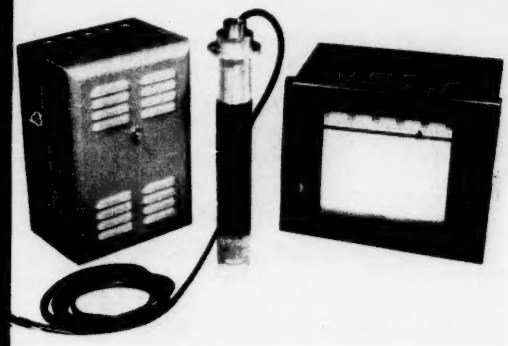

FIG. 1. POWER unit, probe and recorder.

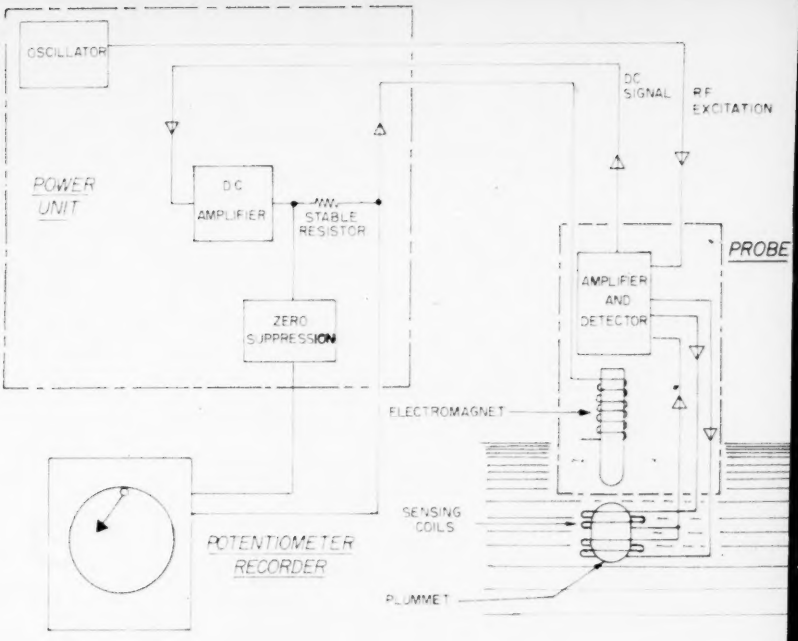

FIG. 2. BLOCK DIAGRAM

Electronic Density Probe

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POSITION SENSING COILS control the vertical position of an immersed plummet in this liquid-density detector (Fig. 1). These coils operate on a differential inductance principle, using radio-frequency excitation (Fig. 2). The plummet generates a signal in the coils whenever it moves from its "standard" or null position. This signal is brought back to the power tubes which control the current in an electromagnet winding which supplies the force that suspends the plummet. A complete servo suspension loop is thereby formed wherein the plummet is always positioned at the "standard" location within a fraction of a thousandth of an inch; this action is not affected by the presence of liquids in the plummet chamber, or by variations in liquid density.

With the plummet position maintained constant with respect to the pole piece of the electromagnet, the inverse-square relationship of pole spacing is eliminated. Consequently the force suspending the plummet is a function solely of ampere turns for all practical purposes. It is necessary only to insert a stable resistance in series with the suspension coil to produce a current-derived output voltage proportional to the suspension force (density of liquid).

There is a tendency toward instability created by (1) the time lag between the change of magnetic force and its resulting movement on the plummet, and (2) the high gain required in the suspension loop. Stability has been achieved by applying differential and reset gain in addition to proportional gain.

The position sensing provisions in the probe include the sensing coils and the detector that converts the r-f position signal to a d-c signal. Up to 1,000 feet of cable can be used to connect the probe to the remaining elements of the system contained in the power unit mounted in the vicinity of the recorder. Any standard potentiometer recorder is usable and can include pneumatic and electrical controllers to control processes on the basis of liquid density.

Plummet Sensitivity

The plummet design provides for internal loading to a net plummet density value slightly greater than the highest density to be measured. Under these conditions a small change in liquid density brings about a proportionately large change in the immersed weight of the plummet. Consequently, on short-span presentations the net resolution and repeatability of this instrument is of the order of ± 0.00005 or better (in units of specific gravity). Due to a slight nonlinearity of the output voltage with reference to density, the overall accuracy is rated at $\pm 3\%$ of the span presented, using linear recorder scales. The exact span of density presented is adjustable together with the range, or starting point, by controls located on a range unit in the power unit chassis. The plummet used is a spheroid having a wall thickness of 1/32": this will withstand static pressures up to at least 2,000 psi without damage.

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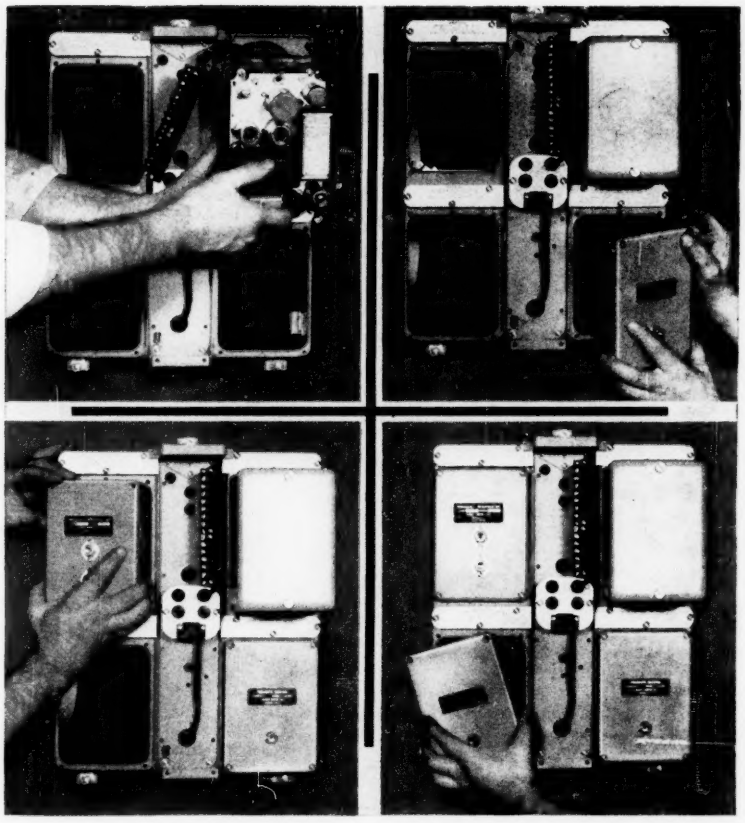

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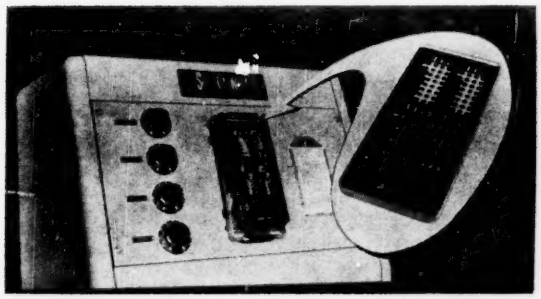

FIG. 1. "BOSS BOARD" weight selector is peg-type programmer.

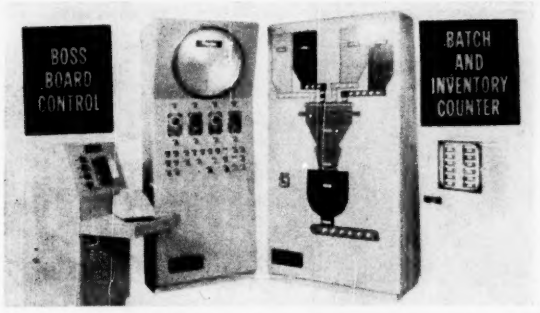

FIG. 2. AUTOMATIC INGREDIENT programming by weight selectors and patch board, with automatic readout by indicating dial, automatic tabulating machine and remote inventory counters, in a four ingredient system.

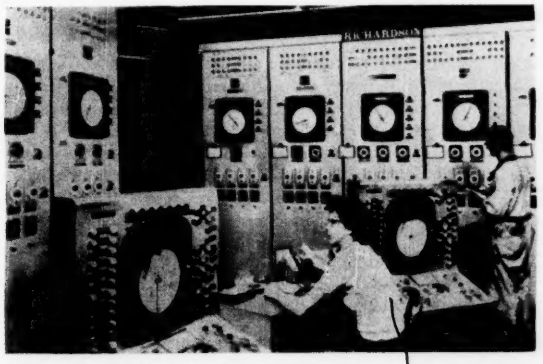

FIG. 3. CONTROL ROOM for twin-system automatic compounding in a rubber products plant.

BULK MATERIALS vary considerably in density and other physical properties. Automatic weighing and proportioning is of little value if the materials themselves cannot be made to flow under control. Thus the design of the bin and the selection of the feeder become as critical in an automatic weighing system as the scale mechanism itself.

With assured proper behavior of the bulk materials flowing through the process, then weighing scales can provide automatic proportioning of mixes and some accounting functions. The operation can be set manually or programmed by punchcard or tape and the resulting performance recorded on digital or analog recorders, or by automatic typewriters. Programming devices can establish the required command by peg contacts, speeding up the task of formula changing, batching, etc. (Fig. 1).

A synchro in the ingredient recorder can be used to drive individual counters to keep a perpetual inventory record for each ingredient as well as totalize the batch. An analog-to-digital converter and automatic tabulator can identify and record these weights with time and date coding. Similarly an automatic typewriter can print out all this data or it can be punched into cards for future data processing (Fig. 2).

Fig. 3 shows the control room for a twin proportioning system for a rubber product. In each system 6 carbon blacks, 9 oils, 12 accelerators, 8 pigments and 8 grades of pellet rubber are available to the Banbury mixer in the combination and quantities prescribed and selected by the one operator in the control room. Thus this one operator controls the flow of up to 86 ingredients, producing a batch every 2½ minutes and frequently changing formulas as called for by the production schedules. Circular-chart recorders establish a permanent record of the performance.

The automatic system can be interlocked with fail-safe control. Weigh hoppers must be in empty balance before the proportioning cycle can begin, and the automatic weighings must be accurate to within a prescribed plus-or-minus tolerance before the cycle can proceed. Any step of the operation which is not within tolerance puts the system in an alarm condition and the source of the trouble is indicated on the face of the panel.

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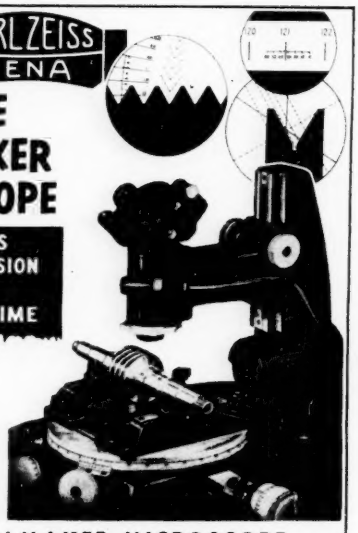

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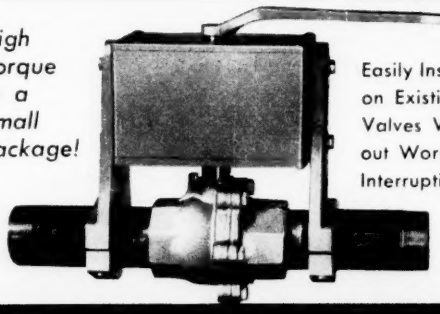

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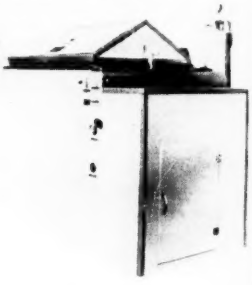

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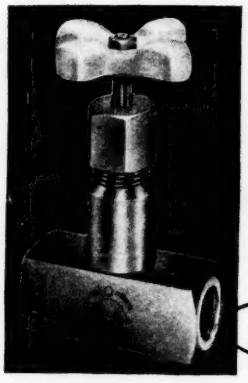

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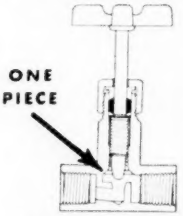

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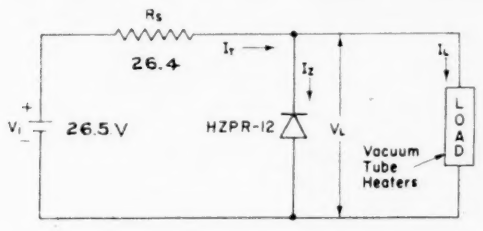
In vacuum-tube circuits such as d-c amplifiers, it is sometimes desirable to regulate heater voltages as well as plate supply voltage. In this circuit, a single Hoffman HZPR-12 zener diode can be used to regulate load currents for filaments up to 600 ma at 12 v dc.

Operating on the reverse-voltage part of its characteristic, the zener diode develops a voltage drop nearly independent of its current (comparable to the familiar gas-tube regulator). With input supply voltage V_i at its center value of 26.5 v dc, the zener diode draws a current of 250 ma, while 300 ma flows through the tube heater load. Load voltage (nominal 12 v) is 11.65 v dc.

When the input voltage drops to 23 v dc the zener diode current drops to 140 ma; voltage drop in the series resistor R_s decreases, and the load voltage drops by only 0.25 v. Similarly, when the unregulated voltage



rises to 30 v, diode current increases to 380 ma; the resulting larger voltage drop across R_s holds the output voltage change to 0.15 v. Thus the change in output voltage is ±1.7% for ±13% change in input voltage, an improvement of about 8:1.

The value of the series resistor R_s may be changed in order to regulate load currents of 150 to 600 ma. Value is selected to produce diode current of 250 ma when the input voltage is at the center value of 26.5 v.

Regulation is not as good at higher load currents; for example, at 600-ma load current a 2.6% change in load voltage results from input voltage changes of 13%.

Input: 26.5-30 v dc, at 680 ma max.

Output: 11.65 v dc at 300 ma, regulated.

Voltage regulation: ±1.6% change in output voltage for input voltage variation from 26.5-30 v.

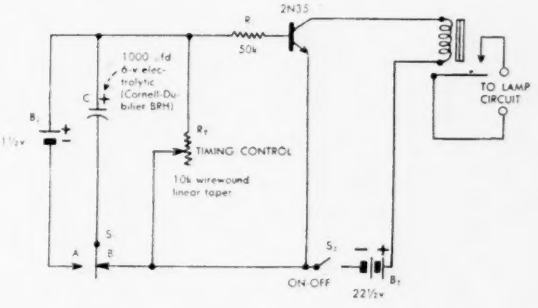
Load regulation: Calculations were made only for constant load conditions.

Source: Hoffman Electronics Corp., Semiconductor Div., 930 Pitner Ave., Evanston, Ill.

TRANSISTOR TIMING CIRCUIT PROVIDES 1-30 SECOND INTERVALS

A relay is held closed by this circuit for a time adjustable over the range of 1 to 30 seconds. Relay contacts can be used to control current to a lamp for timing photographic exposures. Relay used is a Sigma 4F 3000-ohm d-c relay set for 1-ma operation.

Switch S1, a momentary-contact pushbutton type, is normally in position B. To start the timing cycle, S1 is pressed, connecting capacitor C across the 1½-v battery. When S1 is released, the capacitor begins to



discharge through timing-control rheostat R2 and the base circuit of the 2N35 transistor. Base current causes collector conduction, closing the relay.

Capacitor discharge continues at a rate depending on the setting of timing control R2, and the relay remains closed until the base current has dropped sufficiently. Resistor R1 limits the initial base current to a safe value.

Dial of the timing control can be calibrated with a stop watch or other timer; longer intervals may be obtained by increasing the value of R2.

Power supply: 1½-v d-c and 22½-v d-c; quiescent drain on 22½-v battery is approximately 5 ua.

Source: Booklet, 28 *Uses for Junction Transistors*, Sylvania Electric Products Inc., 1740 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y.

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Huntington Beach Steam Station

Huntington Beach Steam Station represents several "firsts" for the Southern California Edison Company; these include their first: (1) 200-Mw unit, (2) cross-compound unit, (3) 2400 psig unit, (4) 1050°F superheat steam unit, (5) axial-flow exhaust unit, (6) station to employ demineralized make-up water.

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THE initial steam conditions of 2400 psig and 1050°F at the throttle, together with 1000°F reheated steam, six stages of feedwater heating and axial-flow exhaust have been combined to produce an expected station heat rate of about 9064 Btu/Kwh. This heat rate and the 200 Mw output make this unit (Fig. 1) the largest and most efficient in the Edison generating system and (for a time) on the Pacific Coast.

Turbine-Generator

The new unit, manufactured by General Electric Co., consists of a high-pressure element (driving a 3600-rpm generator) and a low-pressure element (driving an 1800-rpm generator). Output is divided about equally between the two generators. This is the first large turbine-generator with axial-flow exhaust to go into service in the United States.

This design has proved to be of great interest to the power plant engineer for two principal reasons: First, an appreciable gain in thermal performance is expected from this type of exhaust; such gain is expected to be in the order of 40 Btu/Kwh and is roughly equivalent to adding another heater to the feedwater heating system. Second, the physical arrangement of the axial-flow exhaust and coupled condenser has proved favorable to a relatively low turbine deck height. Turbine decks of our recent reheat plants featured 26′ turbine decks while Huntington Beach features an 18′ deck. This reduction in deck height permits savings in plant construction cost.

Steam Generator

The steam generator (boiler) was manufactured by Babcock & Wilcox Co. and is rated at 1,560,000 lbs/hr of continuous steam output. Steam leaves the superheater at 1050°F and at such pressure as required to deliver 2400 psig steam at the turbine inlet. Steam exhausted from the high-pressure turbine cylinder is reheated by the boiler to 1000°F before re-entering the turbine.

Talk before Southern California Meter Association, Huntington Beach Steam Station plant tour at Villa Marina, June 19, 1958.

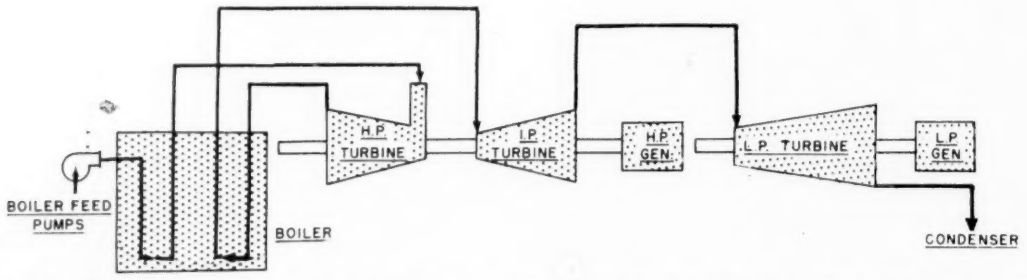
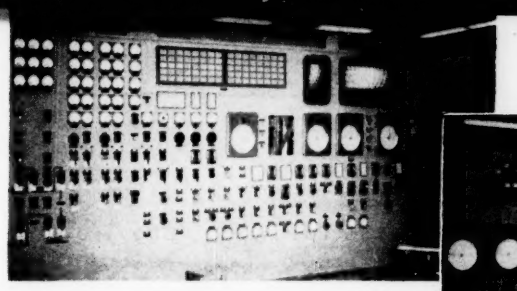


FIG. 1. BASIC UNITS in the Huntington Beach Station. Steam input to H.P. turbine is 1,400,000 lb/hr, 1,050° F, 2400 psig; steam input to I.P. turbine is 1,229,730 lb/hr, 1000°F, 470 psig. H.P. generator (3600 rpm) produces 106,370 kw; L.P. generator (1800 rpm) produces 115,111 kw.



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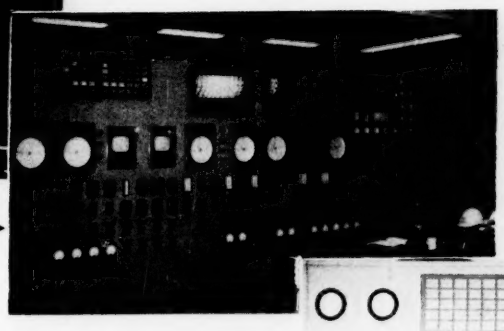

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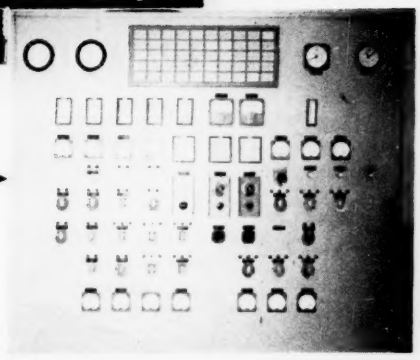

FIG. 4

The boiler is described as a radiant-furnace reheat steam generator with pressurized furnace and flue gas recirculation to assist in maintaining rated steam temperatures. Vernier steam temperature control is accomplished by spray attemperation. Prime energy is provided by firing either oil fuel or natural gas or a combination thereof. When firing with oil fuel, this equipment is expected to be better than 88% efficient at rated outputs; when firing with natural gas the efficiency will be somewhat less by virtue of the higher moisture losses associated with gas fuel.

Instrumentation

The most out-standing postwar development in the over-all picture of instruments and controls has been the grouping of this equipment into one room from which virtually all items in the plant are controlled. The most prominent benefits derived from central control are:

1. Improved integration and coordination of over-all plant controls.
2. Improved station thermal economy.
3. Reduction in manpower requirements creates opportunities for experienced operators to advance in rating to central control operators and man new stations which have been developing in rapid sequence.

The control arrangement at Huntington Beach (Figs. 2, 3 and 4) follows what is becoming a conventional pattern for steam station central control rooms. A panel starts with the *boiler* instruments and controls; these are followed by the *turbine* instruments and controls which, in turn, are followed by the *generator* instruments and controls. A separate electrical panel is provided for control of switching the generating units to the system. This panel also includes turbine supervisory instruments. One more panel includes such common station controls and instruments for soot blowers, circulating water, etc.

Feedwater Regulation

Feedwater regulation at Huntington Beach employs Bailey three-element controls (drum level, feedwater flow and steam flow). Changes in the combined intelligence from these signals initiates action to speed or slow the boiler feed pumps through the hydraulic couplings. The feature of flow control by hydraulic coupling is a departure from practice in prior plants where feedwater regulating valves are employed. Problems with high rates of valve wear, together with economics of a high-load-factor high-pressure plant influenced the decision to adopt hydraulic couplings.*

In the three elements of regulation, drum level is sensed in a conventional manner, as is feedwater flow (measured by manometric deflection across a flow nozzle). Steam flow is sensed as a function of turbine first-stage shell pressure, which General Electric has found to exhibit an accurate and linear relationship to steam flow. We will be able to report further on the acceptability of this means of metering steam flow with further experience. If this principle proves satisfactory we can dispense with the cost and questionable accuracy of high-pressure steam-flow nozzles now commonly used in power plants.

Other Plant Controls

The combustion controls, which must control the fuel demands of the boiler over a load range of about 6 to 1, almost, must be able to control fuel and combustion air input when the boiler is firing oil or gas fuel or some combination thereof. Thus fuel flow, air flow and steam flow signals are combined to achieve the fine degree of control necessary in modern steam-generating equipment.

This plant incorporates a full complement of station load level controls, alarms, bearing temperature alarms on all major plant auxiliaries, annunciators, safety trips and devices to assure station output with minimum interruption.

January Meeting: Thursday, the 15th, Rio Hondo Country Club, Downey, California.

Feature: George A. Rutledge, Bristol Co., will present a paper on "Time Sharing Telemetering Installation."

*A study in this case was made to determine if the hydraulic losses associated with a regulating valve would offset the higher first cost of a hydraulic coupling. The high load factor assigned to Huntington Beach made selection of the hydraulic coupling the favorable choice.

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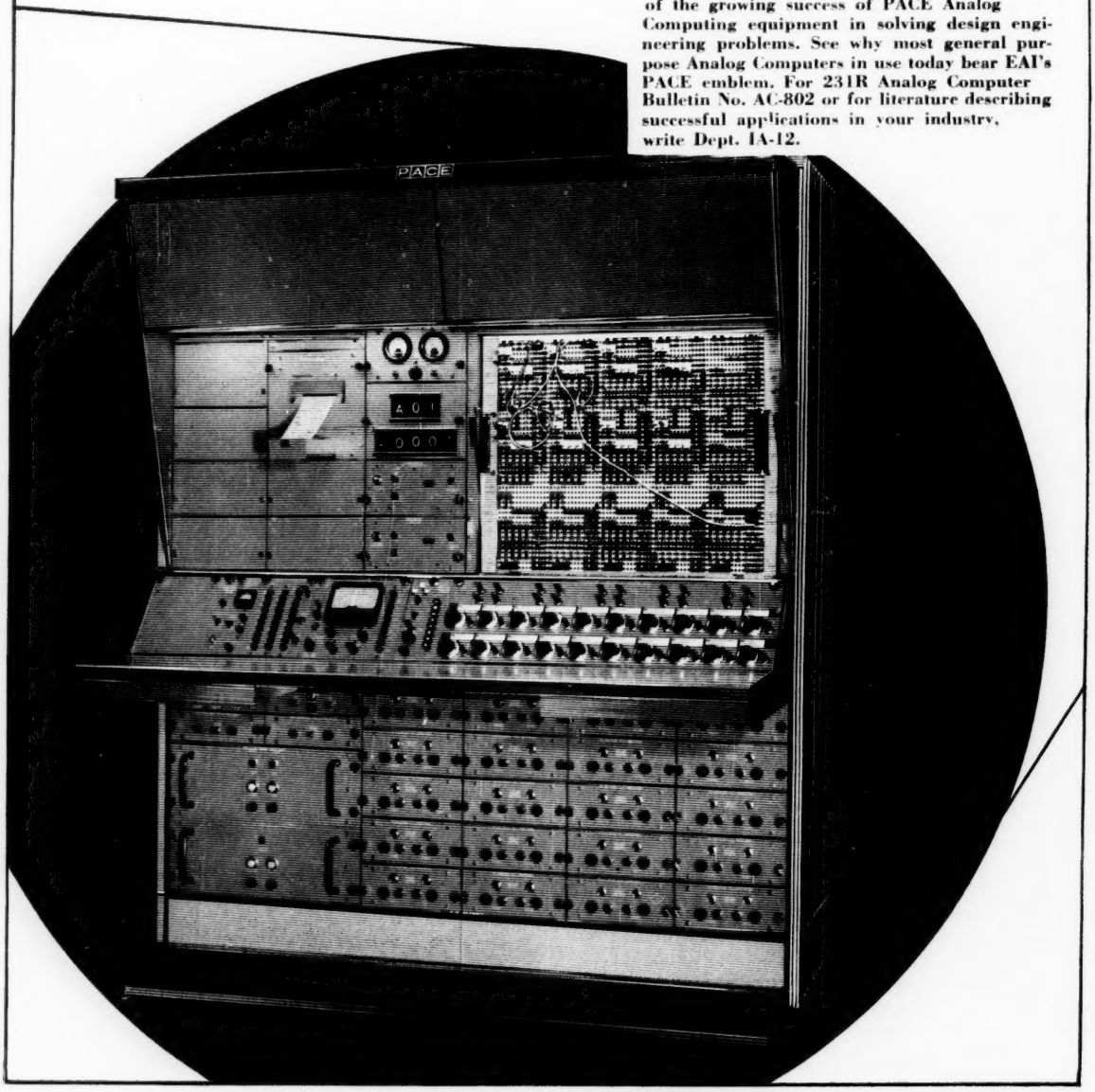

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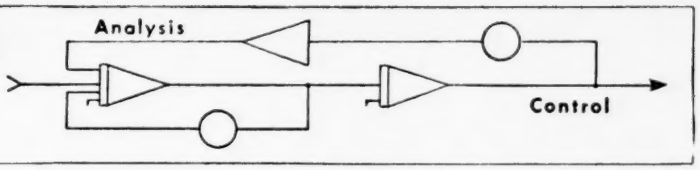

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Do you feel the *Newsletter* is good only for light reading—not to be taken seriously? In this issue we offer you some truly weighty material; you will find us almost completely concerned with heavier-than-air craft. Much heavier!

Herewith the program of the Midwestern Simulation Council on September 8th:

Don Routh, "Simulation of the Suspension System of Large Earth-Moving Equipment by using an Analog Computer"

Robert Kohr, "Simulation of Automobile Suspension and Steering Systems"

Robert Harnett, "Simulation of Landing Gear Vibration"

John Bird, "A Three-Dimensional Tank Simulation"

I. J. Sattinger, "Three-Dimensional Simulation of Vehicle Suspension System"

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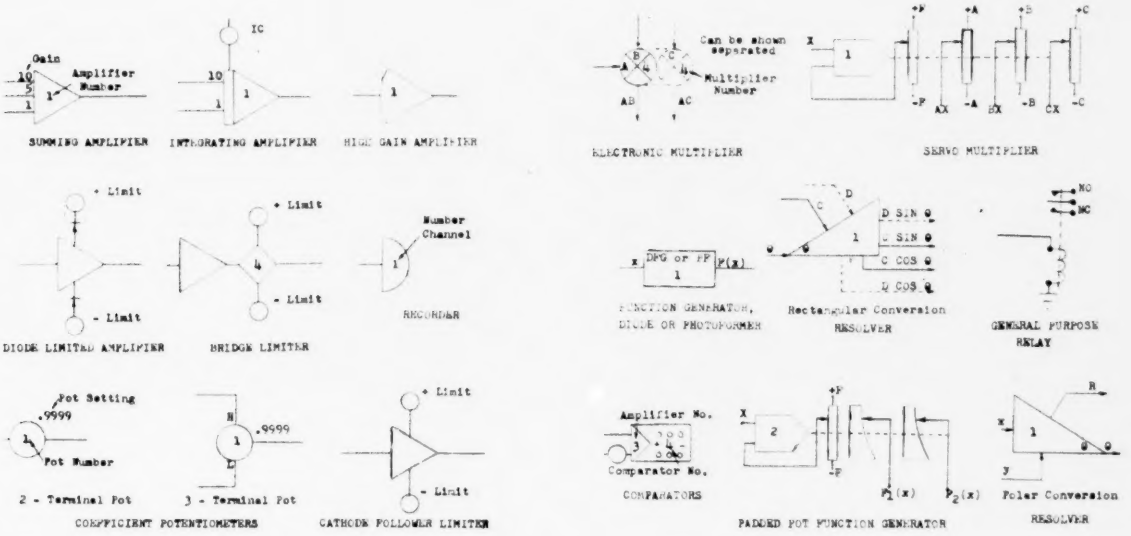
During the Astronautics Western S/C meeting of Sept. 11, *Harold Wasilk* passed out a questionnaire requesting that all present indicate their favored symbols for analog computer components. The illustrations below (somewhat biased by Astro's experience) indicate the result.



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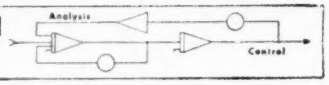

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MIDWESTERN S/C MEETING OF 8 SEPTEMBER 1958 ON LAND VEHICLE SIMULATION

About 50 members were present when the Midwestern Simulation Council met at the Caterpillar Tractor Company in Peoria, Illinois to talk about "Land Vehicle Simulation." People who arrived early were conducted on tours of the plant by *Ralph King* and his associates. Compared to the aircraft industry you could say that what they saw was "heavy" industry. Caterpillar earth movers and tractors have such poor lift-to-weight ratios and aerodynamic characteristics that it is doubtful that they will ever get them off the ground!

Warren Jackson (Standard Oil Co. of Ohio, Cleveland) conducted the meeting, his last as Chairman. Warren introduced *Ralph King*, head of the Caterpillar Analog Computer Laboratory, who in turn introduced Mr. *L. A. Blanc:* Mr. Blanc welcomed the group on behalf of Caterpillar and evidently meant it—lunch was on the house!

Routh on Suspension Systems of Earth-Moving Equipment

Don W. Routh (Caterpillar) got the technical ball rolling with a talk "The Simulation of the Suspension Systems of Large Earthmoving Equipment by Using an Analog Computer." He began with a film taken at Caterpillar's Arizona testing grounds which showed tests on track-laying tractors and rubber-tired earth-moving equipment. It was interesting but also a bit weird to see pictures of monster rubber-tired earth-movers galloping down the test road.

For the track-type tractor probably the most severe conditions are encountered in rocky areas. With the total weight of these tractors ranging from about 10,000 to 35,000 pounds, a wide range of forces must be handled.

With the tractor-scraper the most undesirable condition is encountered while travelling over multiple bumps which, properly spaced, excite a severe bounce condition. At the Arizona proving ground 6″ x 6″ wood blocks spaced at the correct (or incorrect!) intervals are used.

The suspension system of the tractor consists mainly of the sprocket, rollers, roller frame, and idler. The idler and sprocket are both mounted so that they are above the ground level: thus the entire tractor weight rests on the rollers. It was decided to study this suspension two-dimensionally by considering it as a damped spring-mass system symmetrical about the longitudinal, vertical plane.

Spring rates were found to be in the order of 400,000 lb-in and up. Under ordinary working conditions the ground is actually softer than this, so that the ground deflects rather than the springs. Because in the computer studies it was necessary to assume infinite hardness of the road surface, it was necessary to run the tractor over bumps on reinforced concrete to obtain good correlation of simulation and test data.

The damping was considered to be of the linear-viscous type. This is certainly not rigorous, but has given good results.

It was necessary to develop a "bump" to simulate an obstacle lying beneath the track which would cause the track links to buckle, forming an inverted V-type ramp. Fortunately it was convenient to produce such a bump in field testing, and not too difficult to generate it on the computer. Since amplifiers were at a premium, it was decided to use function generators for this purpose and switch them to influence each spring in the proper sequence. As the displacement of the bump was symmetrical, it was possible to sweep the function both forward and backward for this purpose.

Another problem in the simulation of wheels and bumps is that of simulating the effect of the wheels leaving the road surface, because it is impossible for the ground to pull down on the wheel. The method chosen to simulate this effect was to limit the sum of the forces to positive values only. Thus, when the sum of the forces approached the negative it was held at zero, and the only force on the mass was that of gravity. However, an error is introduced when the mass comes back down to strike the ground. The amount of the error depends on the ratio of the damping and spring forces. This latter fact allows the error to be minimized until it is possible to ignore it.

This tractor simulation required 46 amplifiers, three function generators, 47 potentiometers, and about 3000 headaches!

The *tractor-scraper problem* is somewhat similar to the tractor problem except that it is broken down into three components: the scraper, the draft frame, and the tractor. The tires at front and rear are directly coupled to the tractor and scraper, and act as springs but not as an unsprung mass.

When starting their investigations Don's group usually strives first to simulate an actual unit. Once they feel the model is a good representation of the actual vehicle, design changes are made with the computer and the results compared to the original model. Showing curves of such a comparison Don asked, "Need I say that this correlation did not come on the first try? In our original attempts we had trouble obtaining the correct ratio between primary and secondary forces, the primary force being defined as the force due to striking the bump and the secondary force that due to the frame's slamming back down after passing over the bump."

It was decided that the trouble must be in the tire spring rate. "In our original model we had assumed a constant spring rate for the tires. Experimental measurements showed, however, that if the tire was placed on a 4″ x 4″ wood block, the spring rate was about 70% of the spring rate measured when the tire was on the ground." It was therefore decided to simulate this by reducing the spring rate whenever the bump was being fed to the tire by reducing the spring deflection.

Don closed by saying "We feel that the analog computer used in the design and development of suspension systems is a very powerful tool, one which should reduce the experimental time spent in prototype development and at the same time give us a better understanding of the physical apparatus."

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Kohr on Automobile Suspension and Steering

Next on the program was *Robert H. Kohr* (Vehicle Dynamics Section, Engineering Mechanics Department of the General Motors Research Staff at Warren, Michigan). Speaking on "Simulation of Automobile Suspension and Steering Systems", Bob explained that in the past, automobile suspension and steering design has proceeded largely on the basis of empirical experience, with specific cut-and-try modifications on

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How About an All-electronic Computer?

Marked by a steady shift from mechanical to electronic techniques, the evolution of the analog computer has reached the point where only a few mechanical vestiges remain. These mechanical left-overs (multipliers, resolvers and function generators using servo driven potentiometers) have long appeared to be anachronisms awaiting the development of equivalent electronic apparatus. Now, with recent improvements in electronic non-linear elements, it has become practical to obtain an all-electronic computer. The question to be answered by anyone planning an installation is: "Are electronic methods more efficient for my purposes than older servo methods?" Because Beckman/Berkeley designs and sells both types of equipment, our engineers have given considerable thought to the advantages and disadvantages of each. We believe that electronic elements are now generally superior in most applications; however, the choice will depend upon an analysis of requirements for accuracy, speed, maintenance ease and cost. Let's see how recent electronic equipment compares with servo equipment in these respects.

Electronic Techniques Now Most Accurate

A few years ago it was common to use servo multipliers and resolvers for precise computation at low speeds and to reserve electronic devices for fast computation in problems where high accuracy was not essential. This division of labor is no longer realistic. The best electronic multipliers now have a static accuracy of .02% as against .06% for the most precise servo multipliers, and precise electronic resolvers are accurate to approximately .05% in comparison to roughly 1% for servo resolvers.

At high rates of computation electronic multipliers continue to be far more accurate than servos. The fastest servo has 2% error at only 5 cps whereas the slowest EASE electronic multiplier has less than 1% error at 30 cps. Fast servos naturally have poorer static accuracy than the .06% mentioned above.

Comparison of Service Problems

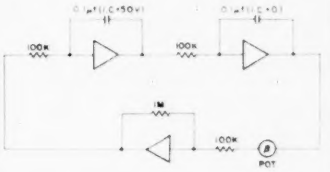
Both servo and electronic equipment present service problems, but of different sorts.

Servo equipment has a well-earned reputation for dependable service. The best precision wire-wound potentiometers are quite durable. Moreover, because servo amplifiers are closed-loop devices, they are not critically dependent on circuit parameters, consequently do not require frequent tube replacement or re-adjustment. On the other hand, under heavy use potentiometers will wear out in 6 months to a year, and replacement is both difficult and expensive. Each new potentiometer will cost up to $900, and equipment may be out of operation several weeks awaiting delivery. When considering maintenance costs, it is also well to remember that all potentiometers in a gang wear simultaneously even when only one or two are actively computing.

Electronic multiplier-resolvers require more frequent attention, but repairs are usually inexpensive and easy to perform. A supply of tubes can be kept on hand and re-adjustment can be performed by anyone who has mastered a "cook-book" procedure.

Correction

In the November issue of "Speaking with EASE," the diagram of a patched-in oscillator for testing phase shift contained typographical errors. The corrected diagram appears below.



Comparative Costs for the Same Operations

In general, servo multipliers and resolvers are most efficient when problems involve a large number of products with a common multiplier of the form XA, XB, XC, etc. or XsinA, XsinB, XsinC, etc. Given the ideal number of such products to utilize full servo capacity, the cost of precision servo equipment can be 20% to 45% less than the cost of electronic equipment for performing the same operations. On the other hand, electronic equipment is most efficient when computations involve independent products of the form XA, YB, etc. or XsinA, YsinB, etc. When problems involve products of this sort, precision servo equipment may cost twice as much as required electronic apparatus. There is a combination of common and independent products at which costs are about the same.

Cost estimates should also give due weight to the greater versatility of electronic multipliers and resolvers. These units are often able to do double duty, thus reducing the cost of an entire installation. For example:

(1) Electronic multipliers will perform as dividers without use of supplementary amplifiers.

(2) An electronic resolver, consisting of a sinusoidal function generator and a separate multiplier, will perform as a straightforward multiplier.

(3) An electronic resolver will generate "sinA" leaving the associated multiplier free to generate an independent product.

Arbitrary Function Generators

The final link in the all-electronic computer is the arbitrary function generator. While servo and electronic methods are too various for detailed consideration here, it can be said that, in general, electronic methods offer far greater accuracy, speed and versatility whereas servos provide a comparatively inexpensive method of generating a severely limited range of functions.

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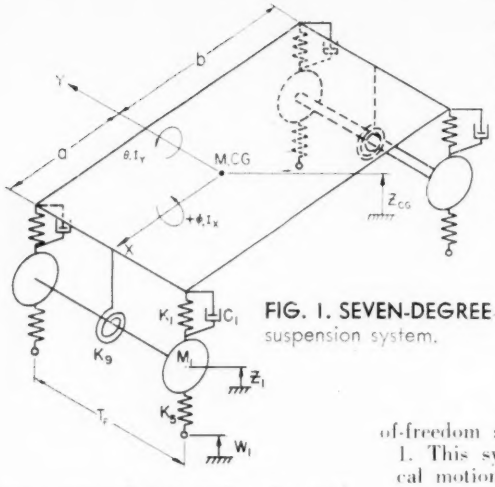

FIG. 1. SEVEN-DEGREE-of-freedom suspension system.

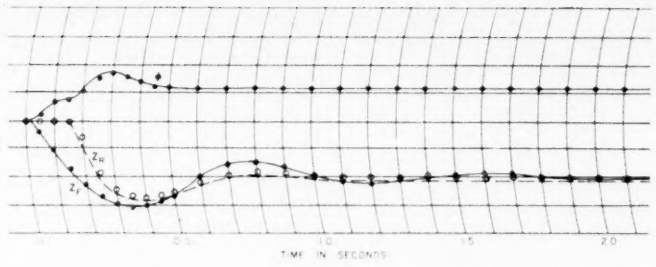

FIG. 2. ANALOG AND DIGITAL solutions of seven-degree-of-freedom system; step input. Dots are digital solution. Z_F and Z_R are body displacements measured at front and rear axles; Φ is the roll angle.

prototype vehicles under the guidance of expert test-driver opinion, and many satisfactory automobiles have been produced by this approach.

However, the general trend toward heavier cars with softer tires and the increasing adoption of power steering and air suspensions call for a complete dynamic analysis of the automobile with a view to gaining a basic understanding of the automobile's behavior on the road.

The use of automatic computers to simulate automobile suspension and steering systems thus becomes necessary to a fuller understanding of the automobile as a dynamic system.

Simulation of the dynamic characteristics of the automobile begins with establishing the automobile's equations of motion. It is possible to break the problem of automobile dynamics into two separate problems: the first involves motion in the plane of symmetry, called longitudinal motion; the second concerns motion out of the plane of symmetry, called lateral motion.

The fore-and-aft motion in the plane of symmetry relates to the acceleration and braking characteristics of the car and is called the "performance" motion. The up-and-down and pitching motions in the plane of symmetry are together considered the "ride" motions, while the three remaining motions (yaw, roll, and sideslip) are associated with steering control and called "handling" motions.

Since the "ride" and "handling" motions are uncoupled, it is possible to simulate them separately. In general, ride motions relate to suspension characteristics, while handling motions relate to steering characteristics.

Recent work in suspension simulation has utilized the seven-degrees-of-freedom system shown in Figure 1. This system considers the vertical motions of all four wheels plus bounce, pitch, and roll of the body by summing the forces on each wheel and summing the forces and torques that act on the body. Solution on an analog computer is quite straightforward. Tire and suspension characteristics are generally nonlinear, so diode function generators are used to simulate them. A complete simulation required 60 amplifiers and as many as 20 non-linear function generators.

Perhaps the most difficult problem in simulating automobile suspension systems lies in providing inputs to the suspension system. For cars with equal front and rear wheel treads, the road input functions for the front and rear wheels on each side are identical, but are displaced with respect to each other by the length of the wheelbase. A general-purpose magnetic tape unit was used to provide the transport delay. The unit contains a modified commercial tape-transport and two magnetic heads. The road displacement signal was generated elsewhere and recorded by the lower head. It was then picked off the tape by the upper head. Tape speed is directly analogous to the car's speed and the spacing between the magnetic heads is analogous to the car's wheelbase. Each head will handle two channels of information so that one channel represents the road function under the left side of the car and the other channel the right.

An analog computer solution of the linear seven-degrees-of-freedom system is given in Figure 2. The corresponding digital check solution is indicated by dots. The input used was a step bump or curb on the left side of the car only. The three traces show the roll response (Φ), the front end vertical motion (Z_F), and the rear-end vertical motion (Z_R). The car parameters are those of a 1956 Chevrolet travelling at 45 miles per hour, and the simulation was carried out in real time.

Another source of difficulty in simulating automobile suspensions is the lack of detailed data on road profiles. In general, the shortcomings of past methods are that they are tedious and not adaptable to long stretches of road. General Motors is currently exploring another possibility—that of obtaining the vertical accelerations induced in a towed wheel and then integrating the acceleration twice to obtain displacement. Considerable work remains to be done before this system is completely satisfactory, but a number of successful short-time runs have been made.

It should be apparent that even the seven-degrees-of-freedom system is not complete. Other elements should probably enter the simulation, for example:

Flexibility of the frame-body combination, both in bending and torsion
Effect of the engine on its mounts
Non-Linear spring of the seats
Dynamic characteristics of the passenger

Of these omissions the most important is probably the passenger-seat combination. It appears that any major contribution to the field of automobile ride must come from consideration of the response of humans to vibrations. The question we need answered is: What is it about one car that causes people to say that it rides better than another? The majority of the available data are based on steady-state sinusoidal excitation. Improvements which may well be made would be the use of random inputs rather than sine waves, and the consideration of transient rather than frequency response. Finally, perhaps the power spectra of the acceleration to which the human is subjected may give better results.

A real-time steering simulator has been of material value in

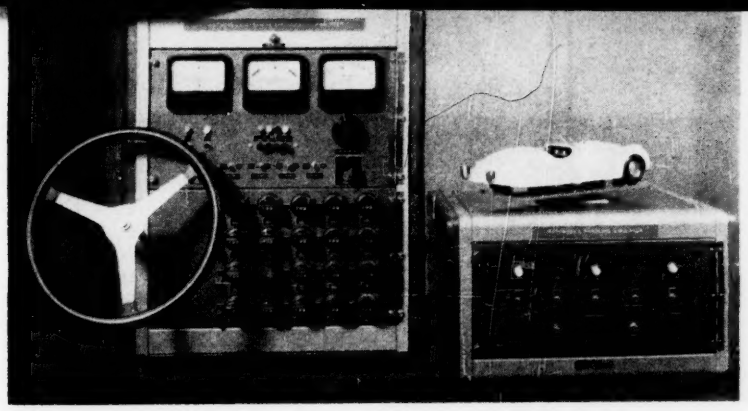

FIG. 3. REAL-TIME automobile-handling simulator.

demonstrating the lateral motions caused by steering inputs. This simulator (Figure 3) is composed of a small special-purpose analog computer which can be "steered" by turning a steering wheel attached to the computer. Movement of the steering wheel causes "steering angle" voltages to be introduced into the analog-computer circuit. The computer then solves the lateral equations of motion of the automobile. The voltages proportional to yaw, roll, and sideslip are applied to a small servo-driven car. This model car can yaw and roll, and demonstrates sideslip by means of a pointer mounted on the car's hood which indicates the direction in which the car is actually going. The computer includes a "skid" meter, a "velocity" meter, and a meter which indicates the applied steer angle. By use of a ganged potentiometer which has an element in the input or feedback of certain of the amplifiers, it is possible to set the forward speed of the car at any point between 30 and 100 miles per hour. Steering-gear ratios can be altered by means of a selector switch. By inserting the proper car parameters on the potentiometers, a wide variety of automobiles can be "driven" on this computer.

As a result of this work, an understanding has been gained of the effects of the various car parameters on the car's lateral response. In addition, a number of general observations have been made:

Yaw and sideslip are strongly coupled, but there is only a weak coupling linking the roll to the yaw and sideslip. However, this weak coupling is often the reason that a particular automobile is stable or unstable, particularly in yaw.

Another interesting result of this work concerns the so-called "oversteer" or "understeer" characteristics. Because of the nature of pneumatic tires, they must run at some slip angle in order to produce side forces. If that angle is greater for the front than the back tires, the path followed by the car curves away from the side force. This is called *understeer*. Conversely, if the slip angle is greater in the rear, the path of the car curves toward the side force, and this is called *oversteer*. The directional stability of an understeering car tends to increase with increasing speed, while the directional stability of the oversteering car tends to decrease. In fact, in the case of oversteer, the "handling" engineers found a critical speed at which the car becomes directionally unstable and at this speed only the most alert action of the driver will keep the car on the road.

The simulations described contain terms from which the "oversteer" and "understeer" characteristics can be computed, and also permit the calculation of a speed at which an "oversteer" car becomes unstable.

Further work in the general area of steering control must include the steering gear, and some consideration must be given to the human operator.* It also appears likely that the tire non-linearities in the near-skid region can be successfully simulated, and that the steering performance of automobiles while accelerating or decelerating can also be evaluated.

Harnett on Landing Gear Vibration

The first afternoon speaker was *Robert T. Harnett*, (Wright Air Development Center, Dayton, Ohio). Bob showed a film on the vibration dynamics of landing gears and said that simulation of the landing-gear vibration problem was started at Wright Field in 1953. The work was originated by Professor *W. J. Moreland*, Chief of the Mechanics Research Branch, Aeronautical Research

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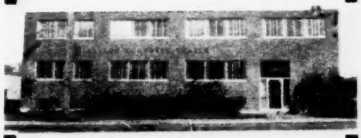

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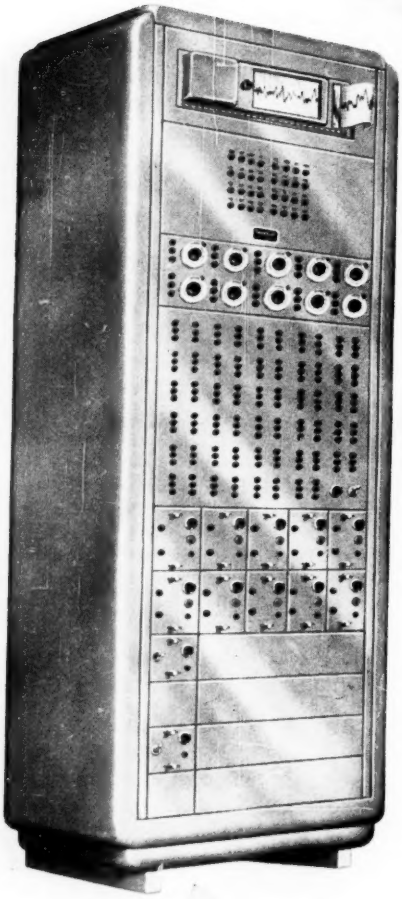

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Laboratory, and the object was to conduct a comprehensive study of an aircraft nose gear system so that stability, or lack of it, could be predicted for any actual system.

The equations used describe a four-degrees-of-freedom system. They are linear, of seventh order, and contain sixteen different parameters which must be specified for each case. In the computer study the following procedure was used to find the effect of aircraft velocity (V) and nose gear damping (C_t), on system stability:

1. Given: The 14 parameters (all except V and C_t) that define a certain case.
2. Select an aircraft velocity (V) and determine those values of damping (C_t) for which the system is "neutrally stable." Usually there are two such values. Between them the system is stable, while it is unstable elsewhere at that velocity.
3. Repeat this for other velocities until a curve like that in Figure 4 can be plotted.

It is apparent that a "hunt-and-try" method would be necessary to find these points of neutral stability, but certain trends could be followed, and the answers came quickly. The problem was originally run on a REAC (Series 100) and later on a GEDA L3. The first cases studied were for the model shown in the movie. Thirty-seven cases of this type were investigated and good agreement was found between computer and test results. Then full-scale tests were conducted at Bendix Products Division, Bendix Aviation Corporation, South Bend, Indiana. Measurements were taken with a B-25 nose gear in a Drop Test Dynamometer Rig and also in the aircraft during taxi tests. Again good agreement was found between computer and test data.

For the past three years all new landing gear designs have been evaluated according to Professor Moreland's method, thus eliminating the dangers that accompany violent shimmy.

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Bird on Tank Simulation

Second speaker of the afternoon was *John W. Bird* (Detroit Tank Arsenal) who spoke on "A Three-Dimensional Tank Simulation." An abstract of John's talk follows:

The Research and Development Division at the Detroit Arsenal is con-

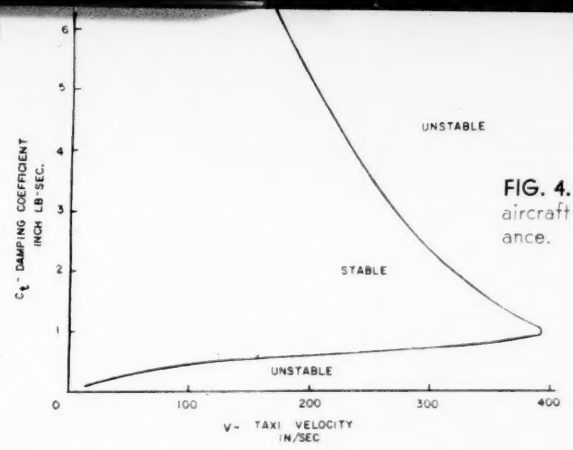

FIG. 4. TYPICAL PLOT of aircraft nose-gear performance.

structing the simulation of a physical system which involves a man riding in a tank and firing the tank gun at a target. The only unsimulated hardware being used is the man, seat, gun control handle, and gun sight. The rest of the physical system is simulated by digital and analog computers, and an integrated fighting compartment simulator is under construction at Lehigh Engineering Associates in Newark, New Jersey.

This paper describes the simulated system by use of block diagrams instead of mathematical equations. The computer simulation is divided into three sections: the road function generator, the vehicle simulation, and the gun control system.

The road function generator is a digital computer programmed by punched paper tape with the accumulator connected to digital-to-analog converters. Each group of two digits of the accumulator is connected to one of three converters, depending on which sign digit is energized. This setup causes four converters at a time to put out voltages representing the vehicle wheel vertical velocities. A total of 12 wheels is thus actuated.

The vehicle simulation was made over from the equations of motion of a jeep devised by the University of Michigan Research Laboratories. The tank hull is assumed to be a free body in space acted upon by the forces exerted by the wheel suspension system and gravity pulling on the hull center of gravity. While the tank is turning a corner, centrifugal force also acts on the vehicle.

The gun control system is simulated by both digital and analog computers. The digital computer brings the gun to a point 2½ degrees from the target, where the analog computer takes over computing the gun to target distance for increased accuracy. The gun-control handle controls the Amplidyne which supplies torque to the gun. The gun rate gyro modifies the control handle signal to keep the gun moving at the called-for velocity. The gyro dynamic characteristics affect this modification. The motor has viscous and coulomb friction and inertia, which modify the motor output torque. Since the gun tends to stay fixed in space unless acted upon by outside forces, the motion of the tank over terrain only affects the gun indirectly by changing the motor inertial and frictional torques.

Sattinger on Vehicle Suspensions

The third and last speaker of the afternoon was *I. J. Sattinger* (Willow Run Laboratories, Ypsilanti, Mich.), who discussed "Three-Dimensional Simulation of Vehicle Suspension Systems." An abstract of his talk is given below:

Beginning in January 1957 the Willow Run Laboratories of the University of Michigan undertook a research program for the Ordnance Tank-Automotive Command to develop methods of simulating vehicle motion in three dimensions. The primary purpose of the three-dimensional simulation is to provide inputs to a vehicle motion simulator being installed at the Detroit Arsenal*, representing the motion of the hull with respect to the earth. This motion can be described in terms of three quantities representing translation, and three quantities representing rotation of the hull.

In the research program the complete set of equations of motion was first written with as few assumptions as could reasonably be made. These equations were then used to prepare a computer diagram to determine the amount of equipment required.

It was found that to represent the motion of a four-wheeled vehicle, the total analog equipment required would consist of something like 160 operational amplifiers, 17 multipliers, and 16 function generators.

For a vehicle with a larger number of wheels correspondingly greater amounts of equipment would be required.

As the next step in the program, a considerably simplified version of the equations was set up on the analog computer, and a number of runs made for various configurations of road obstacles and for various vehicle speeds. This simplified simulation is based on the assumption that pitch and roll angles are limited to 10° or less, that gyroscopic effects and centrifugal force effects were negligible, and that the vehicle ran in a straight line. In essence the six degrees of freedom of the hull were reduced to only three—pitch, bounce and roll.

As a means of determining the adequacy of this simplified simulation, a field test program is being conducted in which an XM-151 (a Ford jeep) was instrumented and run over a set of triangular ramps of various sizes and spacings at various speeds. The field test and computer data then could be compared for what should be identical conditions. This comparison work is still in progress, with final results not yet available. The early indication is that the data compare well in a general way, but that further work will be needed to achieve complete success.

*See the preceding talk, by John Bird.

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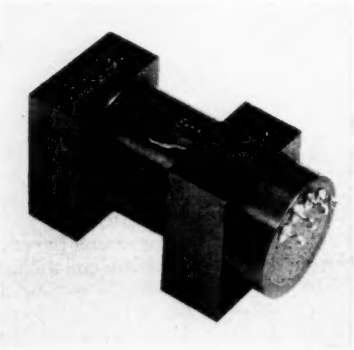

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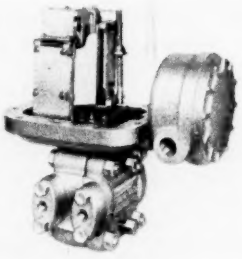

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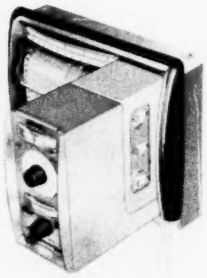

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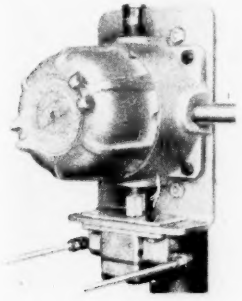

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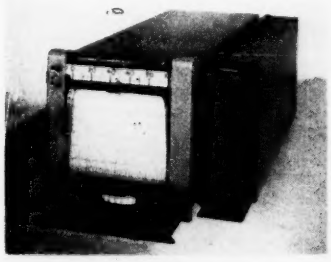

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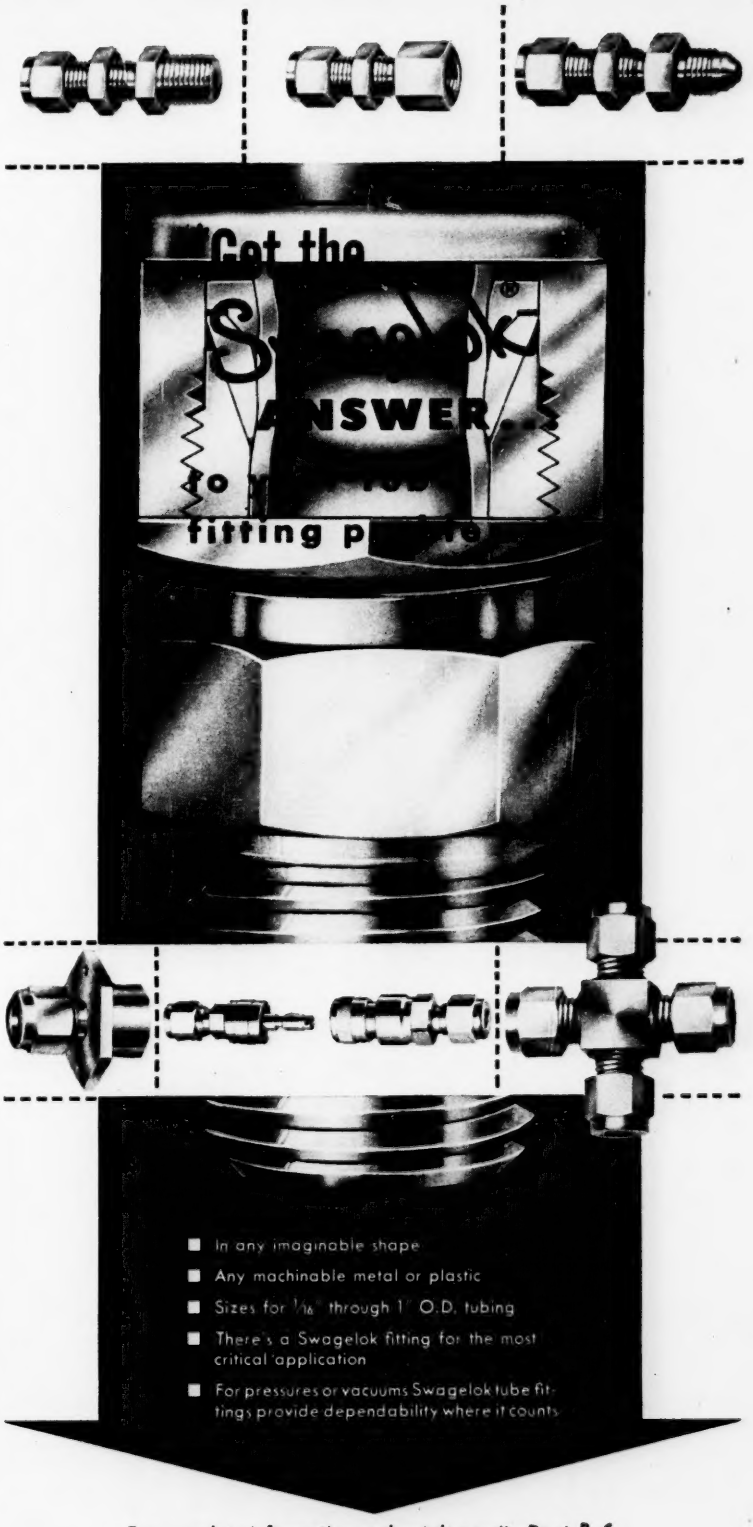
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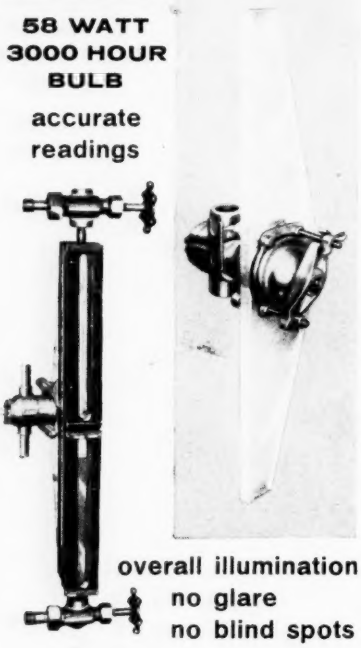

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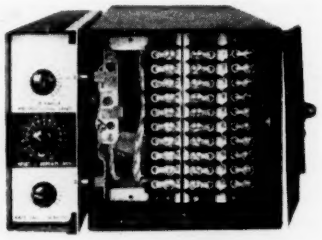

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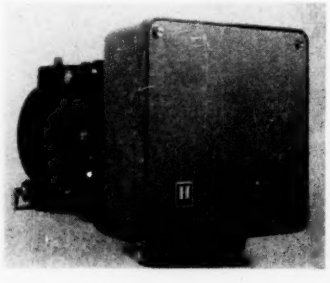

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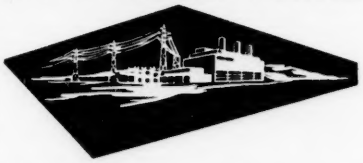

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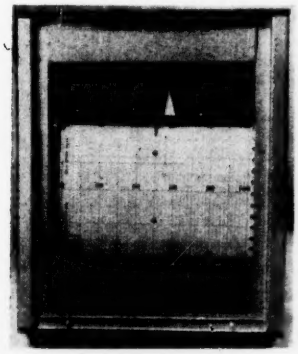
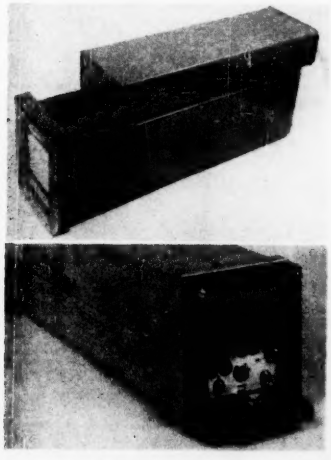


Receiving instrument is made also as indicator.

Controller has back-of-panel mounting, 0-300% proportional band, 0.1-100 rep/min, and 0-8 min rate adjustment. Integral assembly permits erection of panels without need for wiring between the two units. Set point and valve current are continuously indicated (with set point adjustment). A switch provides change from automatic to manual control.



Controller Features Rear Adjustment

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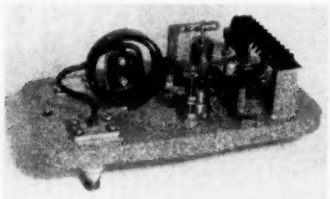
TAYLOR ELECTRONIC CONTROL SYSTEMS

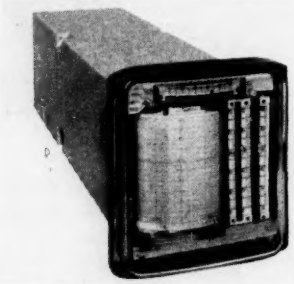
The Taylor Electronic Control System includes both a-c and d-c transmission systems. The a-c system uses 0-to-200-mv transmission signal, the d-c system 1-to-5 ma. In both cases the controller output is 1-to-5 ma d-c. A converter-amplifier feeds the controller in the a-c system. Basic elements include transmitters, recorders, controllers, and valve positioner.

Transmitters in the 700 series are made for temperature, pressure, and



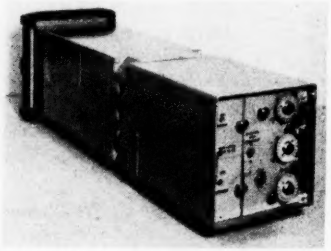
flow. Potentiometer Transmitter 700T, in the field for 3 years, fits well into this system. Pressure transmitters use Bourdon springs, mechanically coupled to a simple differential transformer. Amplification at the transmitter is not needed.

Recorders come in one-pen models only (for the time being) and have



horizontally-moving 4" chart. Amplification is by transistors operating a null-balance servo motor.

Controllers for a-c and d-c systems are interchangeable when a printed-circuit card is substituted. Two plug-



in controller models are made, both using vacuum tubes. The standard model has 0.4 to 200% proportional band with 0.05 to 32 repeats/min reset. The fast reset model has 4 to 2000% proportional band and reset rate of 0.5 to 320 repeats/min. Both have optional derivative time covering

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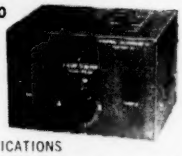

SPECIFICATIONS

RANGE	**0-360° (continuously variable)**
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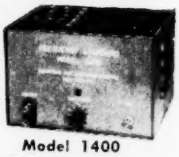

Model 1400

SPECIFICATIONS

ACCURACY	**Available to .005%**
DISTORTION	**Less Than 1%**
FREQUENCY	**400 CPS or 1000 CPS** (Other Freq. Avail.)
Dimension	**6x9x6 inches**
Power Supply	**115 volts, 60 CPS**

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0 to 24 min. Adjustments can be made both from front or rear. A unique diode limiter network in the controller eliminates reset wind-up resulting in improved controllability. Output current is 1-to-5 ma d-c into any 0 to 10,000-ohm actuator load resistance.

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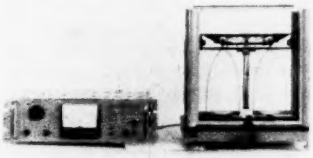
AUTOMATIC ANALYTICAL BALANCE

New Model 301A balance features 1-second measurement time and 0.2% accuracy in five automatic ranges from 30 to 3000 milligrams full scale.



Weight of sample placed on balance is given directly with no mechanical manipulations. Conventional difference methods may be used to extend the range to 200 grams.—*E-H Research Laboratories, 2161 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley 4, Calif.*

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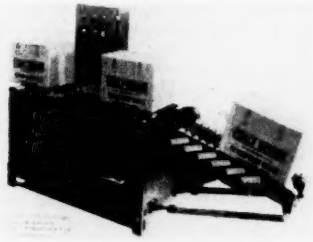
AUTOMATIC CHECKWEIGHER

New Automatic Checkweigher, Selectrol Model 1250, weighs cases, cartons and bags from 20 lb up to 100 lb. Accuracy is 0.1% in this range; speeds up to 30 products per min are



obtainable. Designed for installation in a production line, cases or bags are weighed in motion. The Selectrol is available with underweight and/or overweight rejection mechanism or only with electrical signal output. Read-out to printing equipment is available up to 31, for recording 0 to +15, and 0 to −15, by single increments.—*Exact Weight Scale Co., 538 E. Town St., Columbus 15, Ohio*

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Buyers' Guide Correction

In the Descriptive Directory section of the 1959 *Instruments & Automation Buyers' Guide*, the "see advertisement" line listed the wrong page number for *Dynamic Instrument Company*. It should have read page 150. Please mark this correction in your issue.

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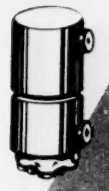

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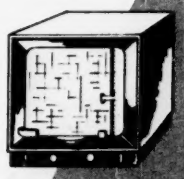

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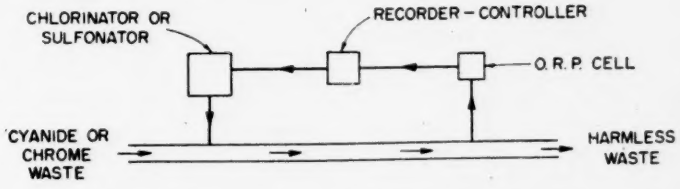

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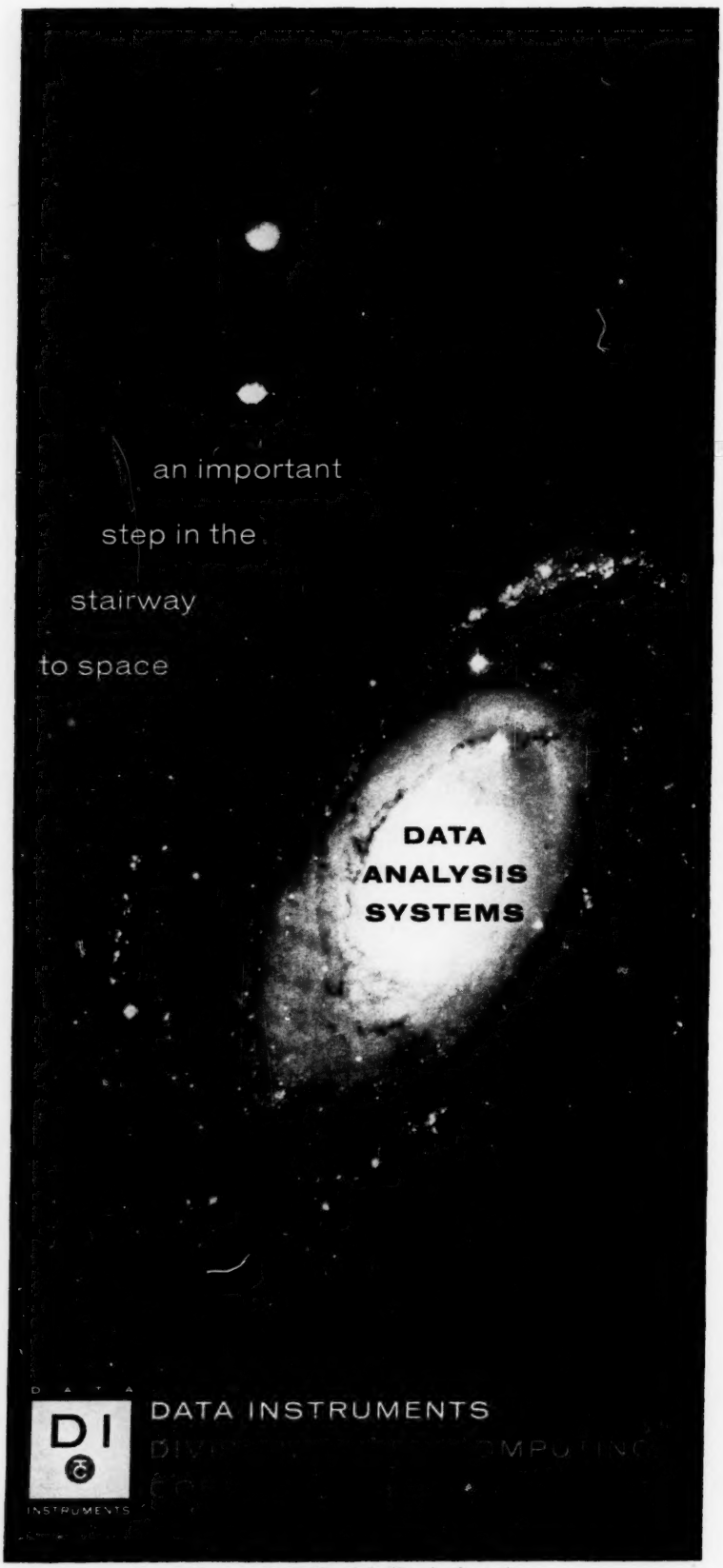

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STRAIN GAGE FILAMENT

New one-piece filament in weldable-type resistance-wire Strain Gages has made possible improvements such as

temperature calibration and actual adjustment to temperature sensitivities before mounting. Gages may be used to 1600° F for dynamic strains. —*Micro-Test, Inc., 657 North Spaulding Ave., Los Angeles 36, Calif.*

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SPEED INDICATING SYSTEM

New package uses d-c tachometer generator with 4-½" panel-mounted meter to give full-scale speed indications ranging from 100 to 12,000 rpm. Generator and indicator are connected

by a low-voltage cable up to 500 ft in length without affecting the system accuracy. Use of a permanent-magnet generator eliminates the need for batteries, external power, or periodic calibration.—*Servo-Tek Products Co., Inc. 1086 Goffle Rd., Hawthorne, N. J.*

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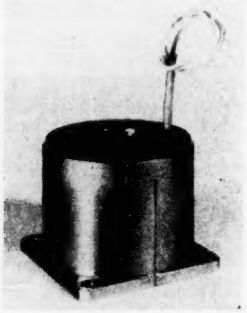
RAPID-RESPONSE SOLENOID

New high-speed solenoid, R.S. 5174, designed to operate with a 24-lb load, starts its 0.020-in stroke at a maxi-



mum of 14 msec and completes its travel in less than 20 msec from circuit closing. Voltage rating is 24 vdc at 78°F.—*Telecomputing Corp., Telco Sales Div., 915 North Citrus Ave., Los Angeles 38, Calif.*

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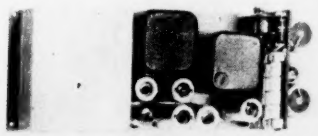
POWER SUPPLY

New Model 137A/PS Power Supply produces a d-c output of 18 watts regulated within 0.5% at + 220v and



— 220v from any cycle input rating from 60 to 400 cycles.—*Land-Air Inc., subsidiary of California Eastern Aviation, Inc., 7444 W. Wilson Ave., Chicago 31, Ill.*

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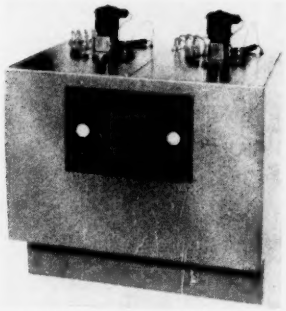
CALIBRATING BATH

New double-unit Thermometer-Calibrating Bath, which allows the operator to calibrate a large number of



thermometers at two different temperatures at the same time, has two separate completely equipped baths, to develop temperatures ranging from 6°C above room temperature to 260°C, with a constancy of ± 0.2°C.—*American Instrument Co., 8030 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring, Md.*

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SOLID-FRONT PRESSURE GAGE

New Safe-T-Gage has a solid and integrally-cast metal front plate designed to divert the force of a burst

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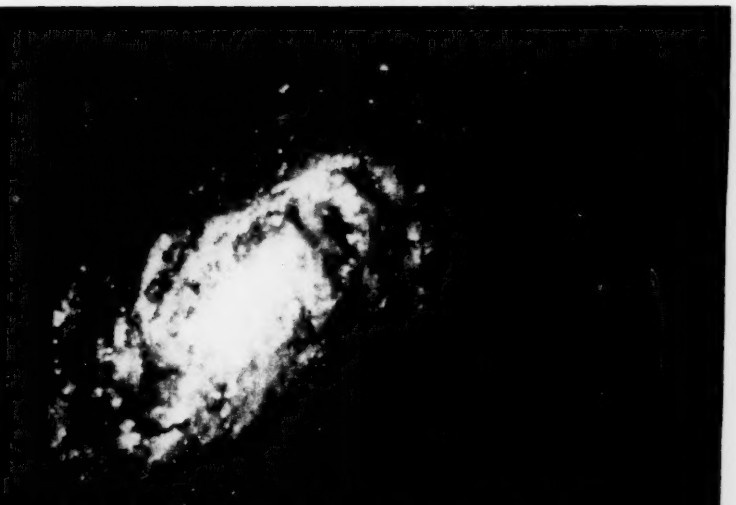

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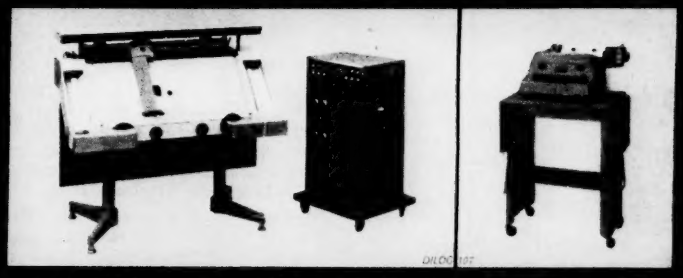

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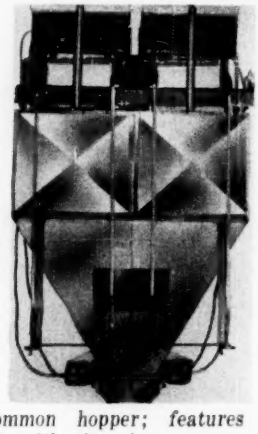
New high-speed Packing Scale, Model 2N18CC, is an automatic duplex filling unit, consisting of two net weigher scales discharging into



a common hopper; features high speeds with pin-point accuracy. Unit can be set to make from 25 to 30 dumps per min for package capacities of from 25 to 100 lb each.—*Thayer Scale Corp., Pembroke, Mass.*

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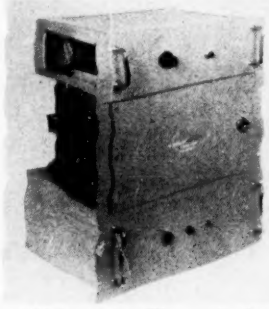
DIGITAL BUFFER STORAGE

New Core Storage Buffer, Type 1092-BQ8A, stores up to 1092 characters of eight bits each and operates



at a 100-kc rate. The unit features interlaced load and unload; internal checking circuits; integral power supply; expandable capacity. Solid-state elements such as ferrite cores, transistors, and diodes, are used throughout.—*Telemeter Magnetics, Inc., 2245 Pontius Ave., Los Angeles 64, Calif.*

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TUBE FITTINGS

New Hi-Seal flareless tube fitting that makes a butt joint, introduced recently in steel and stainless steel,

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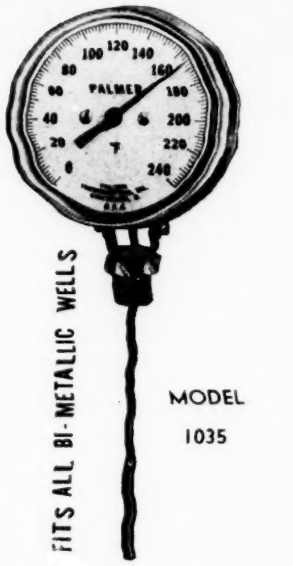

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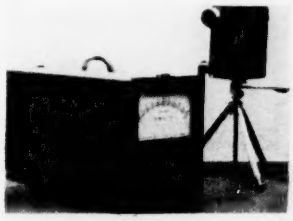

ence of total radiation; and because very little radiant energy is required for operation, temperatures may be measured from a considerable distance. Temperature is indicated on a 7" meter, calibrated in degrees. A 0-to-100-mv output is provided for driving a strip chart recorder or a controller. Speed of response is less than ½ sec.—*Shaw Instrument Corp., 49 Verona Rd., Pittsburgh 21, Pa.*

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THERMOCOUPLE GLAND

New Type "C" Bare Wire Thermocouple Gland provides a positive method for sealing 2 or more bare wires at pressures of *0,005 microns*

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TAPE READER

New Accessory PR-2 is a photoelectric tape reader that permits any external numeric code punched on 5-, 6- or 7-channel tape to be read into the G-15 Computer. New Accessory CA-2 permits standard 80-column cards, punched in conventional numeric or alphanumeric codes, to be processed by the G-15 at high speed, and the high speed tabulation of numeric or alphanumeric printed copy. Information may be read or punched at the rate of 100 cards per min.—*Bendix Aviation Corp., Computer Div., 5630 Arbor Vitae St., Los Angeles 45, Calif.*

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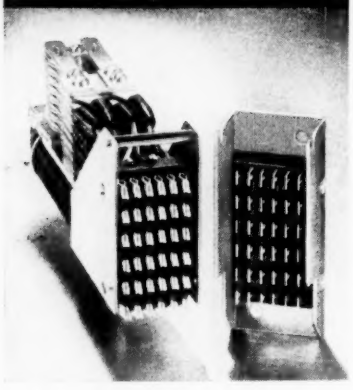

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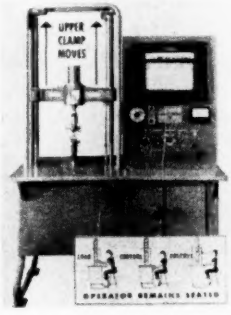
ELONGATION TESTERS

New Model CRE Tensile Elongation Tester, provides a constant rate of extension of speciment by upward mov-



ing crosshead. Capacities are from 0-0.05 lb to 0-1,000 lb or 0-25 grams to 0-500 kgs, tensile.—*Scott Testers, Inc., 45 Blackstone St., Providence, R. I.*

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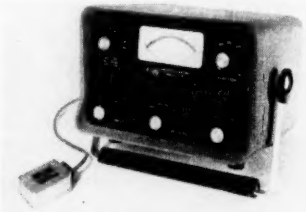
VIBRATION METER

New Model T-1 Vibration Meter for use in conjunction with the TD-Series Vibration Pickups for accurate meas-



urement of velocity, displacement amplitude, and acceleration has battery-powered transistor circuitry.—*Southwestern Industrial Electronics Co., 2831 S. Post Oak Rd., Houston, Texas*

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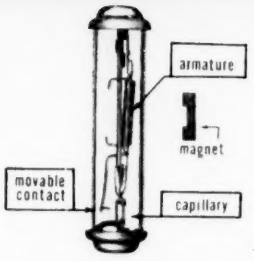

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ELECTRONIC COMMUTATOR

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tal-to-voltage converter into a number of channels. A maximum of 1000 channels of information, at rates of up to 100,000 samples per sec, can be handled.—*Packard-Bell Electronics Corp., Technical Products Div.*, 12333 *W. Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles* 64, *Calif.*

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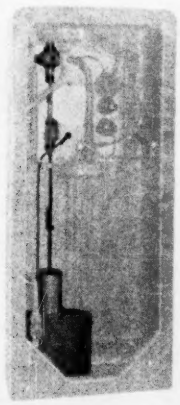
V-NOTCH POSITIONER

New pneumatic V-notch Positioner, designed for use with company's V-notch Chlorinators, converts 3-to-15-psig signals from any standard pneumatic transmitter to a mechanical



movement which positions the V-notch variable-orifice providing a simple way for remote-manual, program, step-rate, or automatic-flow-proportional chlorinator feed-rate control.—*Wallace & Tiernan Inc.*, 25 *Main St., Belleville* 9, *N. J.*

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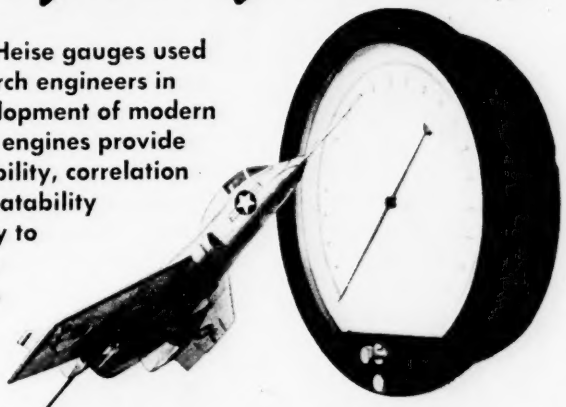

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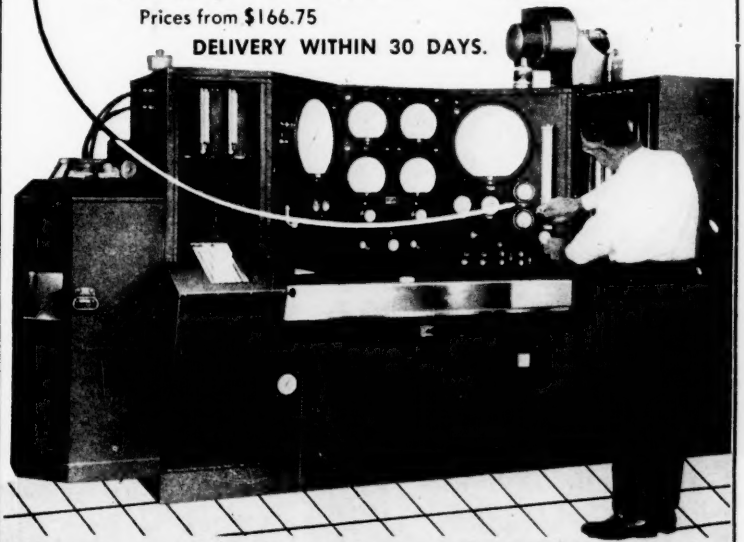

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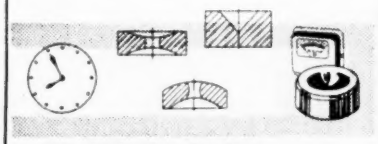

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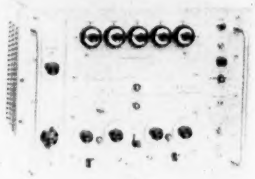
New Model 218A Digital Delay Generator producing two accurately controlled time intervals is particularly useful in calibrating timing circuits in radar systems, oscilloscopes



and marker generators; in timing responses from drum storage systems of computers; and in the precision pulse code modulation of control carriers. Range is digitally adjustable in 1-usec steps from 1 to 10,000.—*Hewlett-Packard Co., 275 Page Mill Rd., Palo Alto, Calif.*

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INPUT-OUTPUT EQUIPMENT

New high-speed Input-Output System, (optional equipment for the LGP-30 electronic computer) is available as a combination high-speed punched-paper-tape Reader and

Punch (Model 342, shown at left) or as a Reader alone (Model 341). The photo-electric reader is capable of reading punched paper tape at a rate of 200 characters per sec. The punch operates at a speed of 20 characters per sec.—*Data Processing Div., Royal McBee Corp., Westchester Ave., Port Chester, N. Y.*

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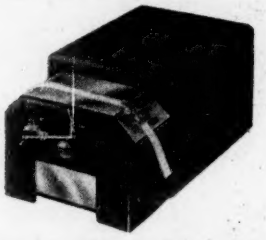
TAPE READER, TAPE PUNCH

New Model 28, Type LBXD, Tape Reader (illustrated) features 100 words-per-minute operation. It translates code of perforated tape into electrical impulses for sequential or for



parallel-wire transmission; or receives electrical impulses from external parallel-wire source and converts these impulses for sequential transmission. ★New Model 28, Type LPR, Tape Punch receives incoming sequential

signals and translates them into perforated code combinations in tape; types corresponding characters on the tape; and provides facility for parallel-wire output of incoming signals for control of external equipment.—2 brochures contain details.—*Teletype Corp., Dept. SP-2, 4100 Fullerton, Chicago 39, Ill.*

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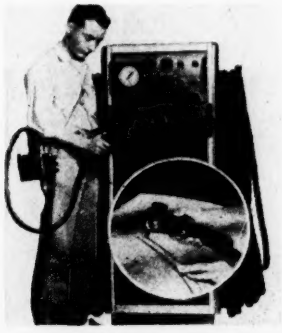
PORTABLE WELDING GUN

New Model 4032 for rapid spotwelding of thermocouple junctions and similar light assemblies employs igni-



tron power control circuits for precise control of weld current.—*Research, Inc., 115 N. Buchanan, Hopkins, Minn.*

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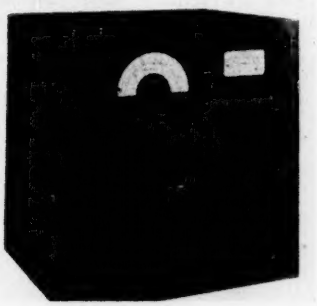
FREQUENCY CONVERTERS

New modular Model-4000-Series Frequency Converters afford simple conversion of any model to single, two- or three-phase operation for range from 100 va to 3 kva by addition of modular power units, output transformers, and power amplifiers.



Ideally suited for inertial guidance systems and other applications where variable frequencies between 50 and 4000 cps are required. High-voltage power supply module uses silicon-diode rectifiers and delivers 700 vdc at ½ amp. By various series and parallel connections it can deliver 700, 1400, 2100 or 2800 vdc with ½, 1, 1½, 2, 2½, and 3 amps.—*Tel-Instrument Electronics Corp., Dept. T2 728 Garden St., Carlstadt, N. J.*

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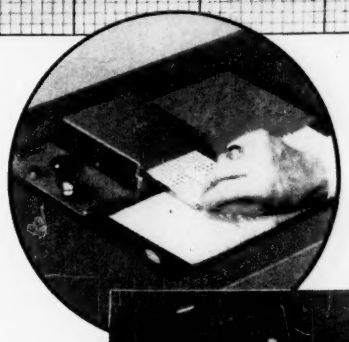
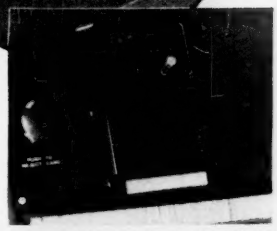
NEW, Automatic Card Programmed Switch

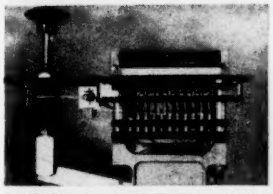


Card programmed, automatic multiple switching is the most practical method for handling complex data in automatic inspection, production control and computer work. The reliability and flexibility of the CARD-MATIC design has been thoroughly application proven in complicated test equipment uses.

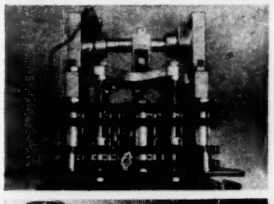


Versatile
A selected code card will actuate all desired contacts simultaneously—up to 3-trillion variables accommodated automatically. Or, switch can be manually operated with complete safety to mechanism and operator.

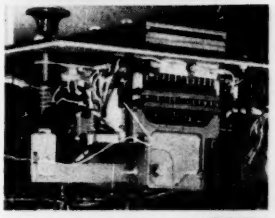
Safe—Foolproof
Design is based on the principle that the absence of a hole in the code card closes a switch contact. If switch is accidently actuated without a card, no contact will be made.



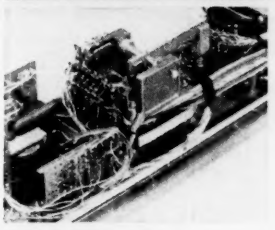
Reliable
187 single pole, single throw floating contacts, of self-cleaning, wiping type, have relatively high current carrying capacity (10 amps.) and unusually low contact-to-pin resistance (.00025 ohms). Rugged in design, units have been use-tested to over 150,000 operations without failure.



Flexible
Basically a 3″ x 5″ sandwich design. Top plate accommodates up to approximately 60 individual contacts inviting use of contact strips to alleviate limitations due to wire size. All 187 contacts are available for individual connection on the bottom plate.



Rugged
A spring loaded cam arrangement with momentary control solenoid provides actuation with unusual simplicity. Heavy cast and machined parts allow use of husky operating torque (approx. 15 lbs. . . . 50 contacts simultaneously) for heavy contact pressures with resultant low contact resistance and positive operation. Switch jamming is virtually eliminated and proper card position is assured through a positive alignment feature.



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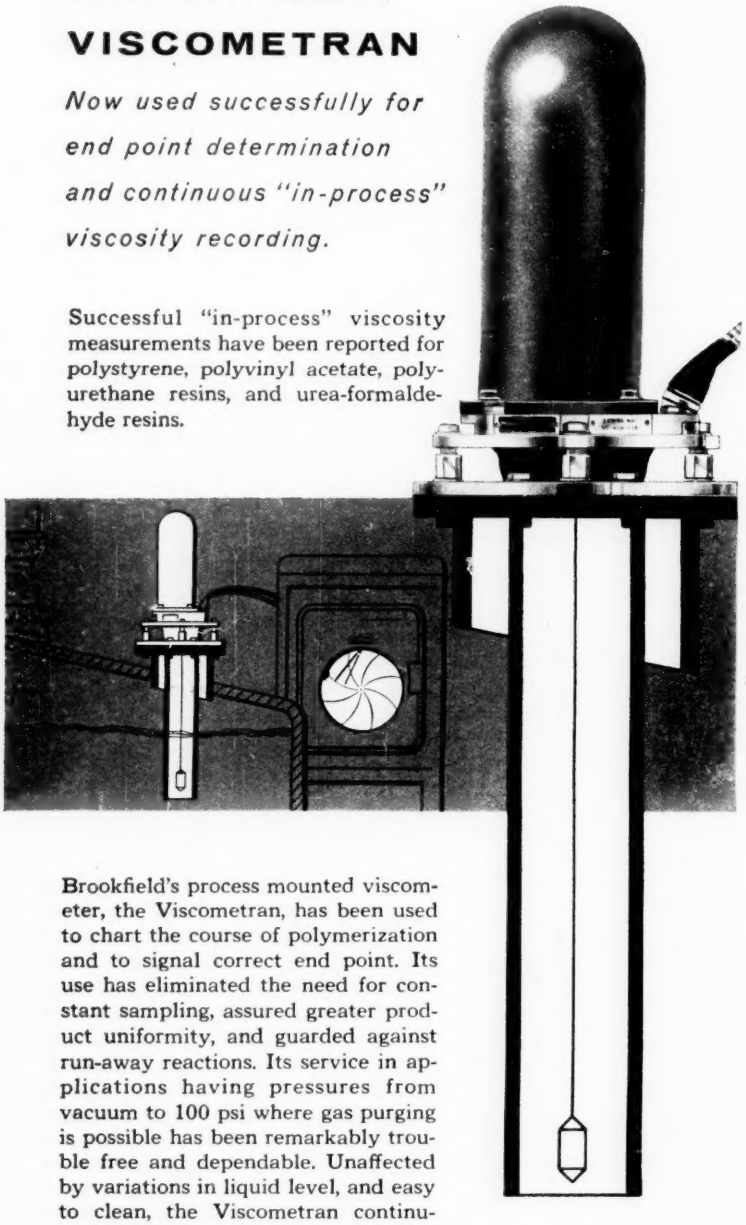

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LIGHTING CONTROL

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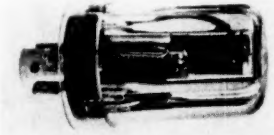

and open circuits at pre-determined natural light levels. Operating levels can be set within 1 to 6 ft-c range.—*Precision Magnetic Controls, Inc., 34 Cottage Pl., Ridgewood, N. J.*

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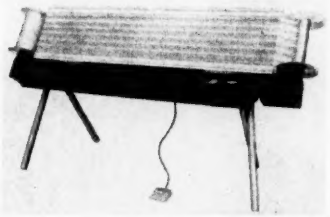
OSCILLOGRAM SCANNER

New Model S-10 scans oscillogram strips up to 1,000 feet in length, on 66-in illuminated scanning surface. Record speed can be adjusted to a



maximum of 100 fpm. Several reading heads, yielding digital or analog outputs are available for the evaluation of presented data.—*Gerber Scientific Instrument Co., 89 Spruce St., Hartford, Conn.*

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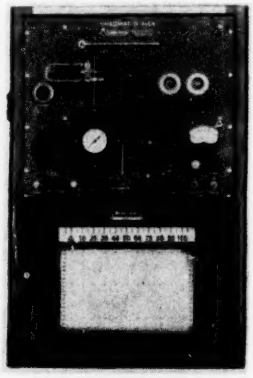
GAS CHROMATOGRAPH

New gas chromatograph analyzer Model 11 Chromat-O-Flex, has dual column switching with automatic backflushing, reproducible volume



gas sample valve, and automatic electronic temperature control. The detector uses filament or thermistor elements, providing high sensitivity. Recorder has 1 mv full scale.—*Loe Engineering Co., 237 North Fair Oaks, Pasadena, Calif.*

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OSCILLOGRAPH EDITOR

New editing device offers a high-speed simple method of viewing oscillograph trace data paper strip

charts of commercial types to 12" width, and rolls through 6" dia. Dual drive unit provides constant speed at infinitely variable settings to a maximum of 200 fpm.—*Fourdee, Inc., P.O. Box 6006, Orlando, Fla.*

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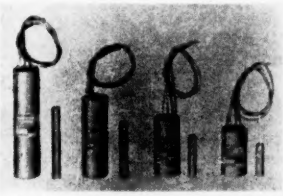
DIFFERENTIAL TRANSFORMER

New Single-Ended Linear Variable Differential Transformer, Series ES-L, has null position at the end and



a full linear range. Nominal frequency range is 60 to 10,000 cps.—*Schaevitz Engineering, Route 130 & Schaevitz Blvd., Pennsauken, N. J.*

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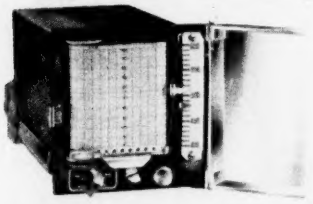
COMPUTER CONTROL STATIONS

New control stations of the Metagraphic type for use with process computer systems receive a 3-15 psi pneumatic signal from the computer. One type has a four-position switch for manual, automatic, or computer



control of the process; the fourth "seal" position allows for "bumpless" transfer between manual and automatic. The other station has a two-position transfer switch for manual or computer control of the process. When on computer control, the control valve is operated directly by the output signal from the computer. Both stations are self-contained and fit into a 4-$\frac{3}{16}$" square panel output. —*The Bristol Co., Waterbury 20, Conn.*

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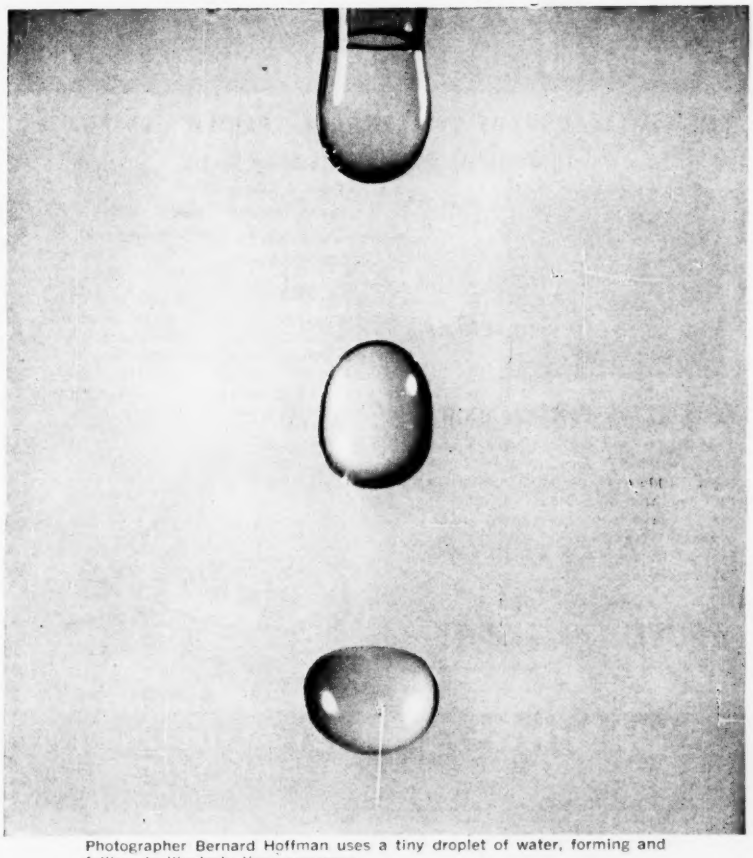

Photographer Bernard Hoffman uses a tiny droplet of water, forming and falling, to illustrate time sequence.

Controlling Time in Fluid Engineering

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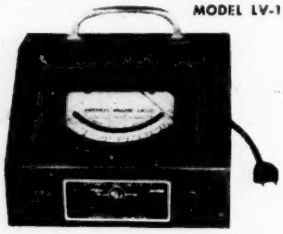

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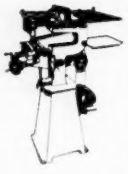

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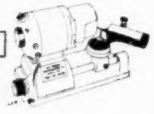

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trace materials down to parts per billion with an accuracy of 1%.—*Technicon Controls, Inc., Chauncey, N. Y.*

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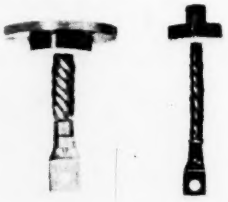
POWER RECTIFIERS

New streamlined Flatline series of Power Rectifiers has current ratings from 20 to 200 amps and a peak inverse voltage range from 50 to 300



v. Flush or stud-base mounting is available in either positive or negative base polarity.—*Sarkes Tarzian, Inc., Rectifier Div.*, 415 *North College Ave., Bloomington, Ind.*

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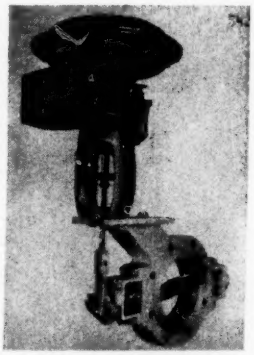
BUTTERFLY VALVES

New 32,000 series of wafer-type Butterfly Valves features ruggedized actuator mounting, ease of adjustment, and accessibility. Design enables the connecting stem and link



to be in line and at right angles to shaft arm at mid-stroke, for either 60° or 90° (or any intermediate point) operation. Actuation is either by power, handwheel, or lever. Available in sizes 2" to 24" in cast iron, cast alloys or flame-cut carbon.—*Mason-Neilan, Div. of Worthington Corp., Nahatan St., Norwood, Mass.*

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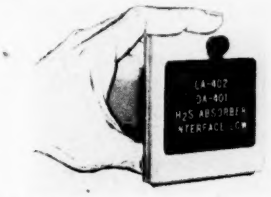
STATIC SWITCHING ANNUNCIATOR

New individual Static Switching Annunciator, Model ST-DF, is a completely self-contained modular unit



which eliminates relays and solenoids. It operates on 24-to-250-v ac or dc.—4-page brochure contains details.—*Scam Instrument Corp.*, 1811 *West Irving Park Rd., Chicago* 13, *Ill.*

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DIFFERENTIALS

New ultraminiature hollow-shaft differentials are available as Class I or II in stainless steel. Three dif-

ferent models in $\frac{1}{16}$" and $\frac{1}{8}$" shaft sizes, 0.580" and 0.790" clearance diameters, 4 or 8 precision ball bearings, and 6′ 12′ and 15′ displacement arcs. ★ New face-gear differentials are available in 0.125" and 0.1875" shaft diameters to meet Precision Class I or II specifications in aluminum, bronze or stainless steel. Clearance diameter 0.875" and 10′ displacement arc.—*Dynamic Gear Co., Inc.*, 20 *Merrick Rd., Amityville, N. Y.*

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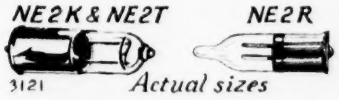
SUBMINIATURE NEON LAMPS

Two innovations in neon lamps: (1) New NE2K and NE2T, said to "produce over twenty times as much light as their predecessors," retain "cold light" characteristics of neon; consume 0.25 watt at 2-ma design



current. Service life from 5,000 hr to over 25,000 hr, depending on model. (2) New NE2R obviates need for a series resistor or external ballast, by incorporating current control as integral part of internal lamp structure. Average life expectancy over 25,000 hours. Operation is cold. Power consumption 0.1 watt at 1-ma design current.—*Circon Component Corp., Santa Barbara Municipal Airport, Goleta, Calif.*

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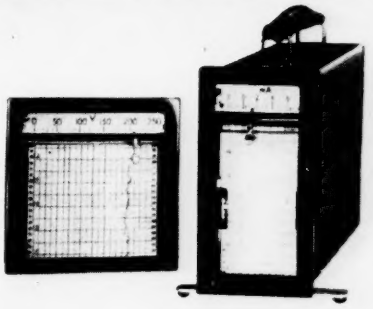
MINIATURE, STANDARD and DOUBLE SIZES!



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Square Model 85, in flush mount, weighs 16 lbs. and is 5⅝" square x 12¾" deep. Slim models 86 (portable) and 87 (flush) save half the width of standard recorders . . . measure 3¾" x 7⅛" x 8¾" and weigh only 9 lbs.

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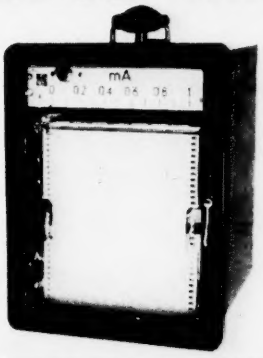

STANDARD RECORDERS

Model 81 (portable) and 82 (flush) are also available for wall and projection mounting . . . take up to 3 channels. Weigh only 19 lbs. and measure 7½" x 9¹³⁄₁₆" x 7⅞".

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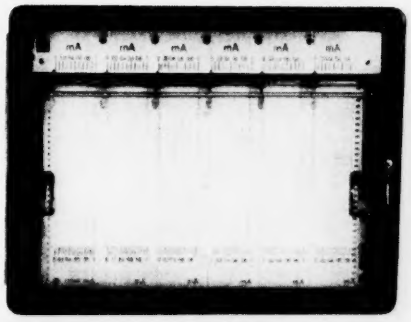

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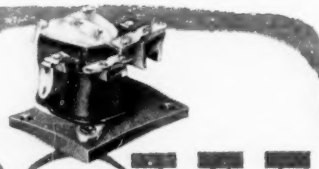

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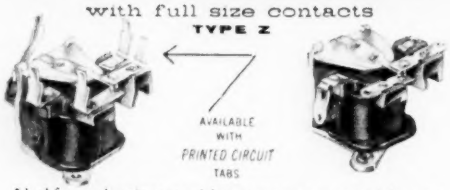

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new plants and mergers

GEOTECHNICAL CORP. has moved to a new 40,000-sq-ft plant in Garland, Tex.

KELLOGG SWITCHBOARD & SUPPLY CO. has organized a new systems engineering division.

TELECOMPUTING CORP. has acquired the FRANK R. COOK CO. which will become a division of the parent company.

GEORGE GREGORY AND ASSOCIATES, with offices in West Newton, Mass., have been named New England sales representatives for CUBIC CORPORATION, San Diego (Calif.) electronics manufacturing firm.

SYSTRON CORP. has completed a 15,000-sq-ft expansion of its quarters.

UNION CARBIDE OLEFINS CO. has licensed GREENBRIER INSTRUMENTS to manufacture a new process-stream analyzer.

CENTURY ELECTRONICS & INSTRUMENTS has appointed AHMCO as representative for the North Western States.

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UNIVERSAL CONTROLS will expand research and manufacture after electing Carl P. Clare of its subsidiary to executive vice president of the parent company.

MINNEAPOLIS-HONEYWELL announces a 40% expansion of its plant capacity at *Beltsville, Md.*

POWER SOURCES, INC. is building an 18,000-sq-ft plant at Burlington, Mass., to be ready in March 1959.

B-I-F INDUSTRIES has opened a new regional sales office in Baton Rouge, La.

people in the news

CROSBY VALVE & GAGE CO. announces election of *Jere. J. Bresnahan* to vice president of sales.

BALDWIN-LIMA-HAMILTON has appointed *Carey A. Evans as manager* of engineering, Electronics & Instrumentation Div.

TECHNOLOGY INSTRUMENT CORP. of California announces appointment of *Ray Destabelle* to chief engineer, *Transducer Div.*

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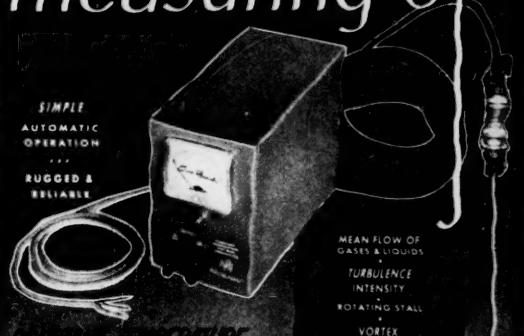

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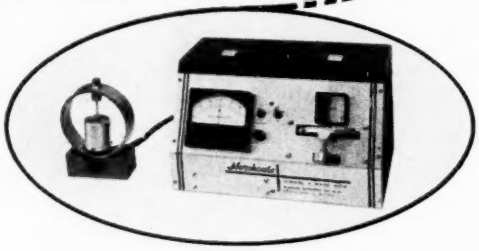

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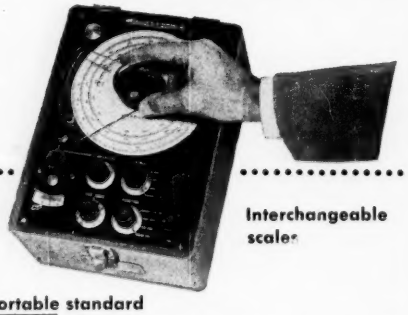

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VEEDER-ROOT INC. announces election of *Harvey L. Spaunburg* to chairman of the board, and *Wilbur C. Stauble* to president.

SKINNER CHUCK CO. announces appointment of *William J. Bloudek* as sales manager.

TRINITY EQUIPMENT announces appointment of *Edward M. Feeley* as vice president of sales, and *Thomas A. Boyle* as vice president of manufacturing.

MINNEAPOLIS-HONEYWELL, Boston Div., reports that *George J. Schwartz*, its president and general manager, has been elected president of the American Ordnance Association, Yankee Post.

ROCHESTER MFG. CO. has elected *Clark L. Hastings* president.

HICKOK ELECTRICAL INSTRUMENT CO. announces appointment of *H. D. Johnson* as director of marketing.

EAGLE SIGNAL has appointed *Vincent C. Blecker* to sales manager of the Industrial Div.

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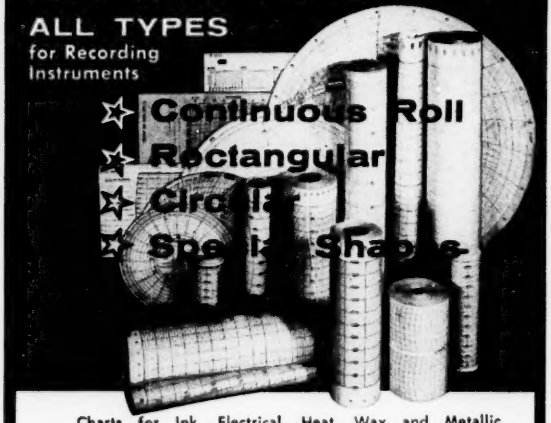

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ALLEN B. DuMONT LABS. announces appointment of *Albert E. Beckers* as director of engineering.

BARTON INSTRUMENT CORP. announces that *Richard Barlow* has joined the company as manager of the sales and application engineering department.

CONSOLIDATED ELECTRODYNAMICS announces appointment of *Charles C. Snider* as director of sales.

AMERICAN METER CO. has elected *James A. Dayton* vice president of manufacturing.

LESLIE CO. announces *Arthur W. Richart* has been appointed chief engineer, Product Engineering, and *J. Thomas Muller* manager, R & D.

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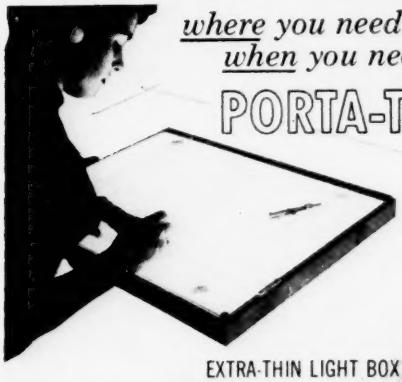

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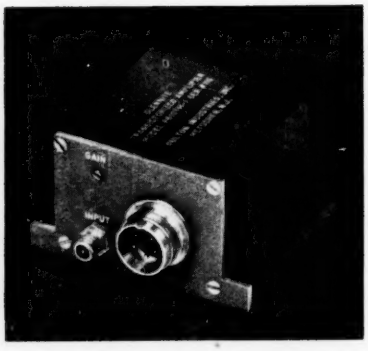

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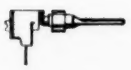

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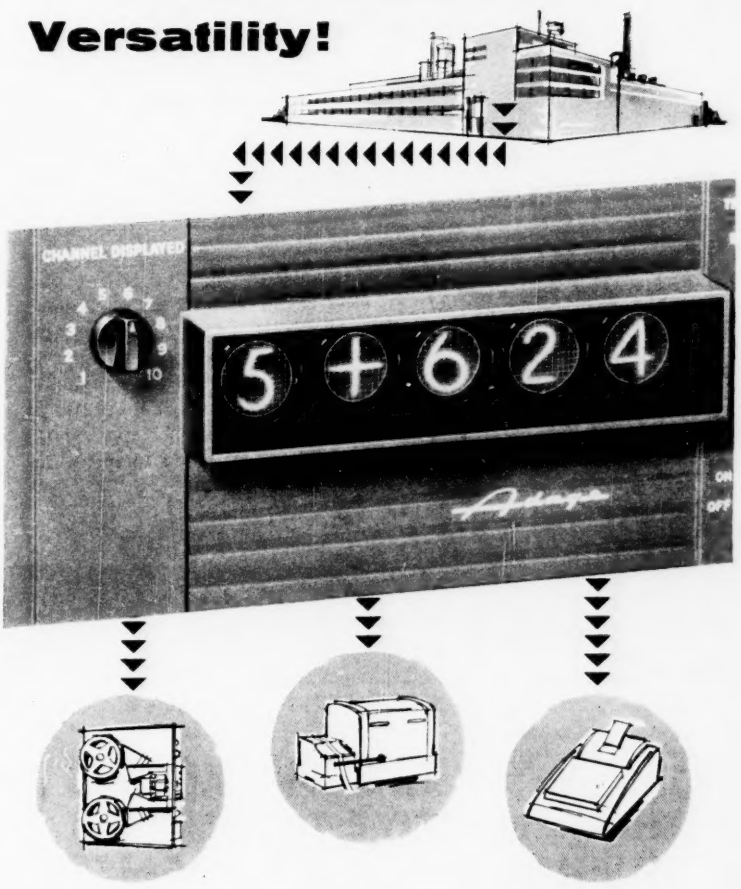

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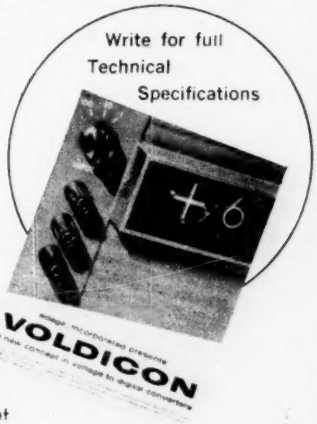

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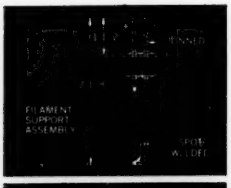

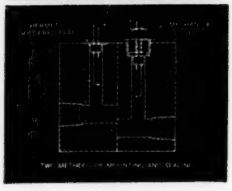

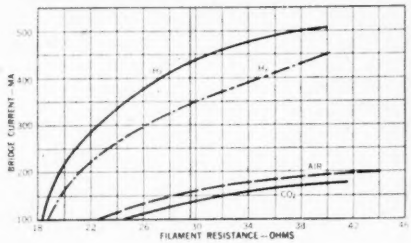

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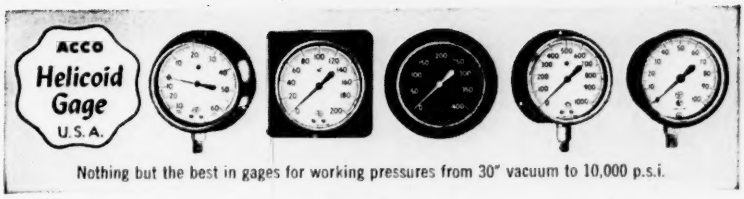

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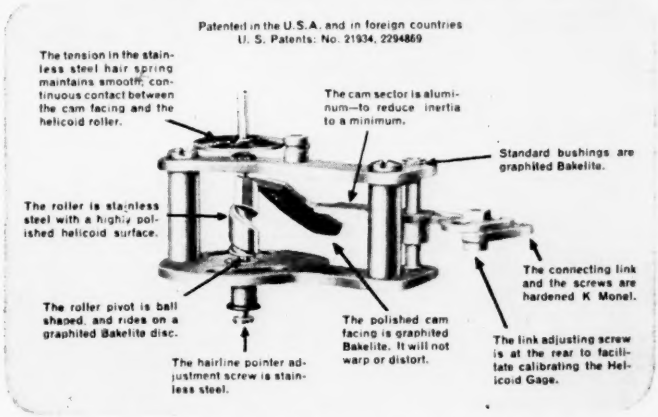
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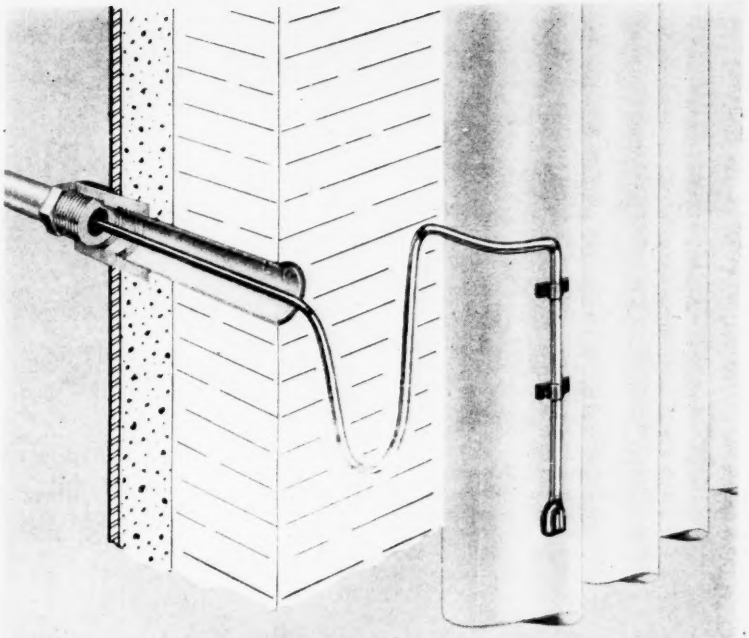

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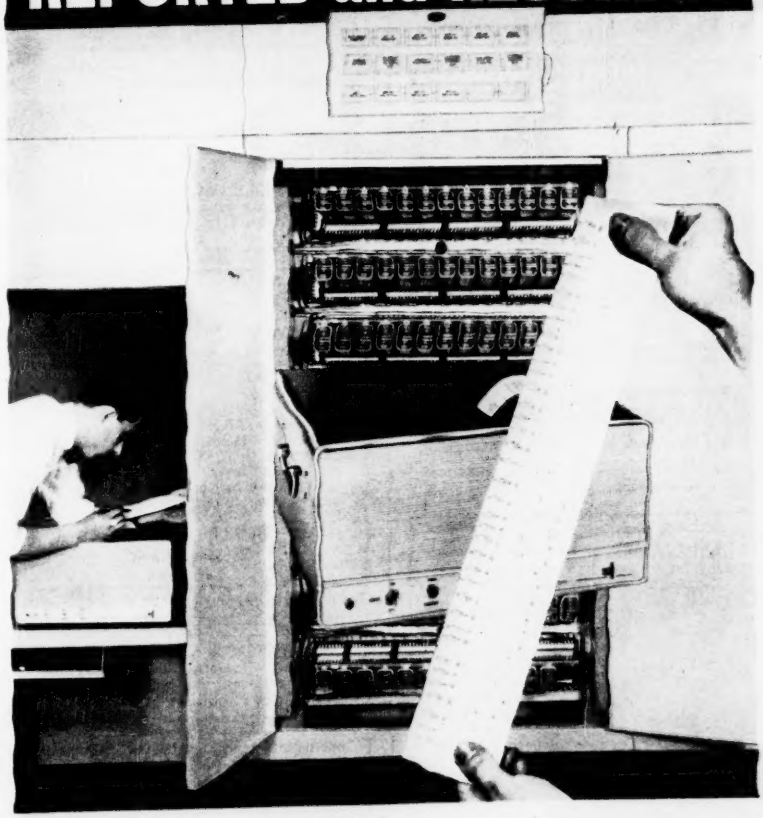

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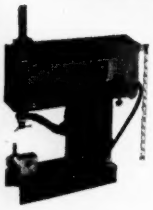

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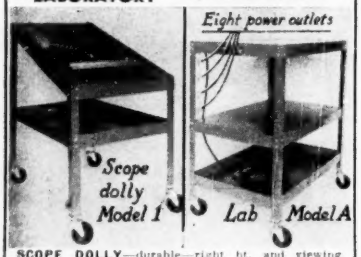

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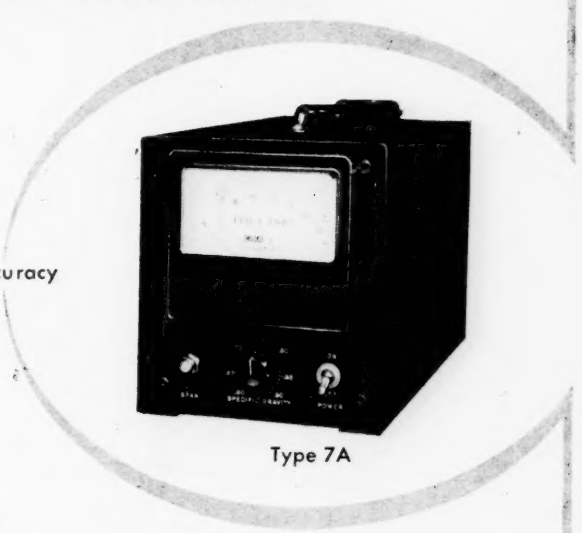

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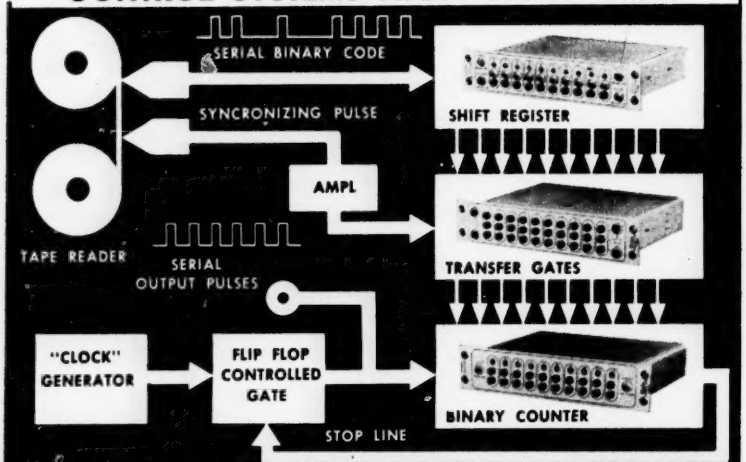

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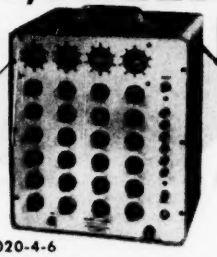

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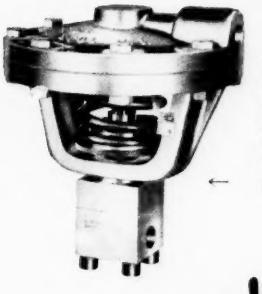

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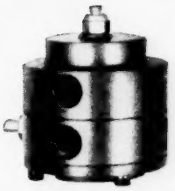

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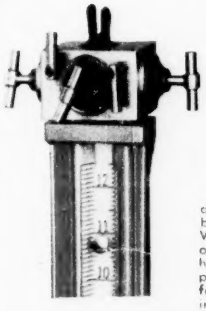

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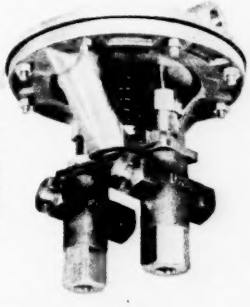

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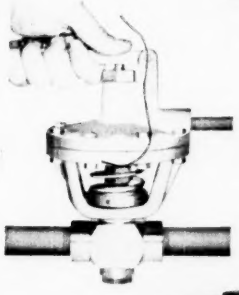

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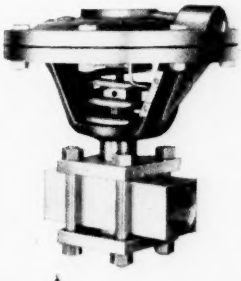

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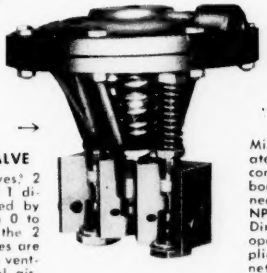

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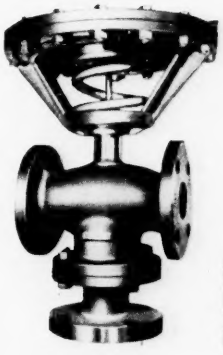

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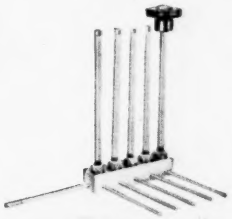

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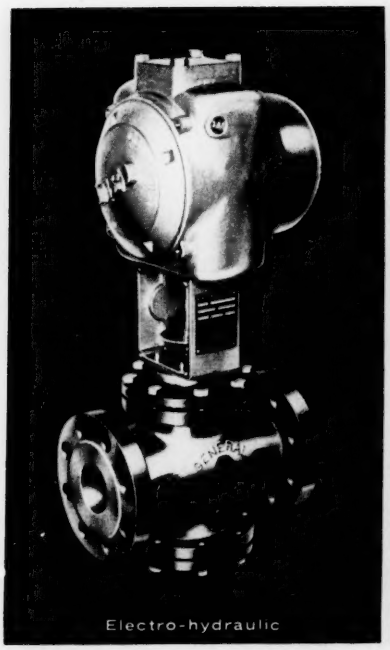

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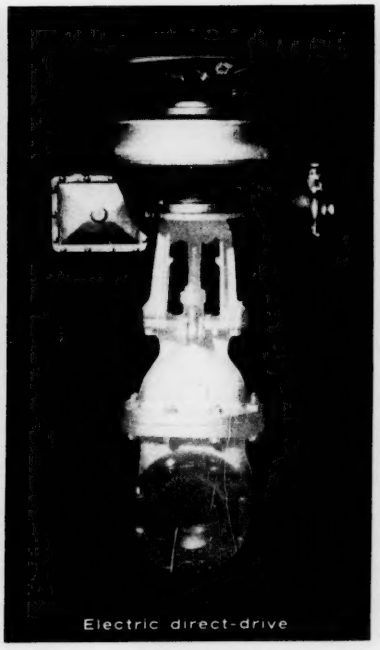

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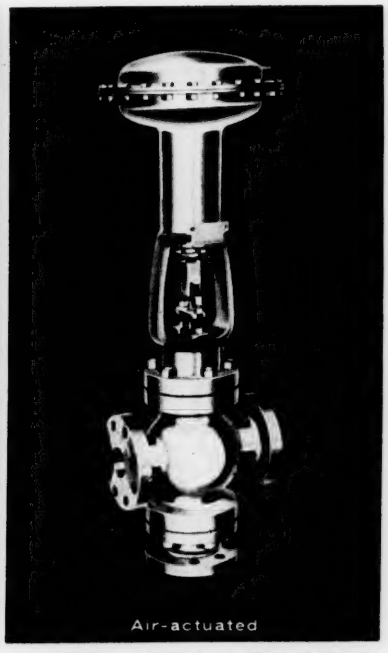

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